

April 2010 Quarterly Report

City of Eureka



BUILDING DEPARTMENT

The 1st quarter valuation for 2010 of \$3,072,141 is up from last years 1st quarter total of \$1,871,584. The Building Division issued 376 permits for the quarter. Staff conducted approximately 756 inspections, 55 plan reviews, and investigated 30 new code enforcement complaints. During the quarter 24 code enforcement cases were resolved.

Permit Type Totals			
	No. of Permits	Valuation	Fees
Commercial	1	\$3,300.00	\$129.00
Demolition	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Duplex	1	\$188,608.00	\$0.00
Electrical	30	\$0.00	\$3,389.00
Fire Alarm	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fire Sprinkler	1	\$2,000.00	\$146.00
Grading	1	\$0.00	\$117.00
Improvement Commercial	61	\$1,432,263.00	\$29,640.00
Improvement Residential	187	\$799,331.00	\$14,614.00
Mechanical	17	\$0.00	\$946.00
Misc.	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Multi-Family	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Plumbing	34	\$50,000.00	\$2,628.00
Residential Addition	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Reroof Commercial	8	\$89,165.00	\$1,925.00
Reroof Residential	24	\$209,827.00	\$4,914.00
SFD	1	\$184,432.00	\$3,059.00
Signs	5	\$25,325.00	\$1,567.00

Quarter Summary					
	January	February	March	Quarter Totals	Last Years Totals
Permits ISSUED	145	132	99	376	218
Permits FINALED	75	49	79	203	200
Valuation	\$914,065.00	\$1,108,956.00	\$1,049,120.00	\$3,072,141.00	\$1,871,584.00
Inspections Performed	241	237	278	756	787
Plan Reviews	15	15	25	55	43

Code Enforcement					
	January	February	March	Totals	Last Year Totals
Complaints OPENED	9	10	11	30	34
Complaints CLOSED	4	9	11	24	36
Investigation Fees	\$1,135.00	\$286.00	\$791.00	\$2,212.00	\$1797.00

January 9, 2010 Earthquake Response

In the days following the magnitude 6.5 earthquake on January 9, 2010, the Building Department worked with other City departments to conduct damage and safety assessments throughout the City. Several local engineers graciously volunteered their time to assist in performing inspections. Each engineer was paired with a City inspector certified through CalEMA in Post-Disaster Safety Assessments. The County of Humboldt and the Cities of Arcata and Fortuna also provided inspectors in the week after the earthquake.

Building Department staff and volunteers performed 516 safety assessment inspections. The most prevalent type of substantial damage was to masonry chimneys at single-family residential properties. Inspection records show that some 237 chimneys were damaged during the earthquake. Other damage ranged from minor to severe, including foundation, sheetrock and plaster, and major structural damage.

One item of note is that all but two of the remaining unreinforced masonry (URM) buildings in the City sustained substantial damage. Among the damaged URM buildings was 325 Second Street. Fallen brick and structural hazards necessitated the closure of two adjacent buildings, along with Second Street itself. A separated façade 211-219 Fifth Street caused the partial closure of Fifth Street (NB 101) for several days. This magnitude 6.5 earthquake produced less than ten seconds of moderate shaking. For perspective, a major earthquake triggered by a rupture of the Cascadia Subduction Zone could cause severe shaking for two to three minutes.

Vacant and/or Boarded Buildings

Vacant and/or boarded building monitoring inspections were conducted in early April in conformance with Eureka Municipal Code § 150.095. Seventeen (17) buildings/properties were inspected. Nine (9) property owners took no positive action to improve their property and a monitoring fee of \$200 has been assessed. Seven (7) owners obtained permits for repairs and those properties are exempt from this quarters monitoring fee and One (1) property was added to the list.



1924 Everding Street
Notice of Inclusion



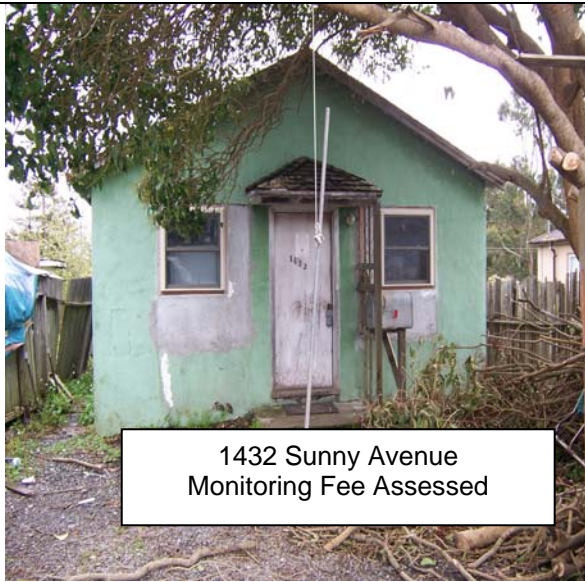
3015 I Street
Monitoring Fee Assessed



1424 Pine Street
Monitoring Fee Assessed



915 Del Norte Street
Monitoring Fee Assessed



1432 Sunny Avenue
Monitoring Fee Assessed



91 Commercial Street
Monitoring Fee Assessed



435 O Street
Monitoring Fee Assessed



716 8th Street
Monitoring Fee Assessed



2325 2nd Street
Monitoring Fee Assessed



130 W. Cedar Street
Monitoring Fee Assessed

COMMERCIAL PROJECTS OF INTEREST

Address	Owner	Type	Valuation
1200 Railroad Avenue	MLRX2, LLC	Tenant Improvements	\$35,767.00
609 E Street	Jack Retzloff	Fire Damage Repair	\$108,000.00
949 W. Del Norte Street	James Creech	Adding Car Wash Station	\$25,000.00
304 6 th Street	Daniel Ricke	Change of Occupancy	\$150,000.00
619 2 nd Street	Rynecki Properties, LLC	Tenant Improvements	\$360,000.00
233 K Street	James Morrison	New Parking Lot	\$21,000.00
1006 W. Wabash	Price Company	Restroom Renovations	\$136,000.00
100 H Street	Rynecki & Rynecki, LLC	Tenant Improvements	\$55,000.00
3300 Broadway	Jack Stearns	Temporary Shoring-Kohl's	\$150,000.00
2700 Dolbeer Street	St. Josephs Hospital	UPS Installation	\$150,000.00

RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS OF INTEREST

Address	Owner	Type	Valuation
2511 Union Street	Claude Kerr	1850 SF Duplex	\$188,608.00
3205 N Street	Katherine Walters	Foundation Retrofit	\$43,827.00
2240 D Street	Allan Grushkin	Bathroom Remodel	\$38,253.00
925 F Street	Nancy Pringle	Conversion w/ Addition	\$40,000.00
4850 Dickson Drive	Michael Thompson	Addition	\$60,000.00
1433 J Street	David Cutler-Ploss	Earthquake Damage Repair	\$62,500.00
1625 Wood Street	Yolanda Stevens	Redevelopment Rehab	26,177.00
1525 McFarlan Street	Carole Beaton	Addition	\$29,209.00
2734 G Street	Robert Steinwachs	Garage Addition	\$32,203.00
3828 E Street	Jeff Rasmussen	SFR w/ Attached Garage	\$184,432.00

Community Development Department

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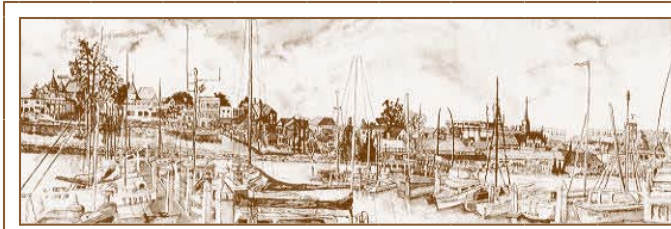
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The Community Development Department is responsible for administering, implementing and enforcing the goals and policies of the City of Eureka's adopted general plan, its zoning regulations as well as other local, state, and federal land use and environmental regulations.

The Community Development Department

has five divisions:

**Administrative
Current Planning/Implementation
Long Range Planning
Environmental Planning
Enforcement**



Our mission is to administer and implement the goals and policies of the City Council within the framework of the adopted general plan.

We strive to promote and encourage comment, understanding, and public interest in the planning process; and to explain the many and varied rules, regulations, policies and procedures in a courteous,

knowledgeable and professional manner.

Our goal is to continue to provide exceptional public service even in the face of severe budget constraints.

Administrative Division

The Administration Division provides guidance and leadership for, and plans, coordinates, supports and monitors the activities of the Community Development Department.

The Administration Division provides staff support to boards, commissions, the City Manager and the City Council.

The Administration Division also provides the administrative support for the entire Community Development Department.

Enforcement Division



3204 Summer Street—before

Spotlight on Enforcement

3204 Summer Street.

In May, 2008 the dwelling at 3204 Summer Street was severely damaged by fire. Over the next several months, City Staff received complaints from neighbors about people living in recreational vehicles on the site, the property being a junk yard, and people using the yard as a restroom. In July, 2008 the Police Department cited the residents for living in the recreational vehicle, and the Building Department sent a Final Notice requiring the recreational vehicle be removed from the property.

In November, 2008 the City obtained an inspection warrant for the property, and conducted a code compliance inspection. The inspection confirmed that the structural integrity of the residence had been significantly compromised by fire and the residence and yard was full of household garbage, debris, and rubbish. The property owner insisted during the inspection that no one was living in the recreational vehicle. A Notice and Order to abate the nuisance by either repairing or demolishing the structure was issued by the Building Department on November 24, 2008. As Staff continued to try to work with the property owner to obtain compliance, during subsequent visits to the site it often appeared the property owner was living in the recreational vehicle on the site.

In January, 2009, the Police Department again cited the property owner for living in the recreational vehicle. Several days after issuing the citation, the officers returned and found the property owner asleep in the recreational vehicle. Citations were issued by Police for living in the recreational vehicle and the accumulation of garbage on the site.

In April, 2009 the City of Eureka demolished the residence and

nances, and state law.

The division coordinates with other City, local, state and federal regulators on enforcement actions that cross over jurisdictional boundaries.

The Enforcement Division compiles and maintains data and information for all citizen and agency filed complaints, ongoing compliance investigations, abatement proceedings, and violation compliance.



cleaned up the debris from the yard. Over the next several months, the City continued to monitor the property and continued to find people living in the recreational vehicle. An additional recreational vehicle was also brought to the site and stored. Community Development, Police, Fire, and other Community Improvement Team members repeatedly told the property owner that a junk yard and living in or storing a recreational vehicle on the property was a zoning violation and was not allowed. At the beginning of July, 2009 the Police Department issued two citations over two days to people who were found living in the recreational vehicle.

On July 8, 2009, in conformance with EMC §10.39, the Community Development Department issued an Administrative Citation and assessed a Fine in the amount of \$50 per day. The violations were for occupying or using a recreational vehicle for living or sleeping purposes that is not located in a state licensed mobile home or recreational vehicle park, and storage of a recreational vehicle in an RS-6000 (One-Family Residential) zone district.

On March 2, 2010, the property owner signed ownership of the recreational vehicle on the site over to the Eureka Police Department, and EPD removed the recreational vehicle from the site. Removing the recreational vehicle resolved the zoning violations on the site. The last \$50 per day fine was charged on March 2, 2010, and the violation case was closed.

Projects, Permits, Ordinances

Earthquake Cost Recovery.

Medical Cannabis Ordinance.

Wireless Telecommunications Ordinance .

Greenway/Open Space Ordinance.

Update of the Coastal Zoning Regulations.

Group Home Ordinance.

Design Guidelines.

Pec and Crouse Retaining Wall Setback Variance.

2009 Housing Element.

St Joseph Hospital/Dolbeer Neighborhood Group.

Sphere of Influence update, LAFCO.

Elk River Wildlife Trail.

County General Plan Update.

Forster Gill Subdivision.

Historic Preservation Program.

Clarke Historic District Formation.

Flood Plain Ordinance Update.

Martin Slough Interceptor.

PALCO Marsh Phase 1A.

Simpson Remediation Project (Del Norte and Railroad Avenue).

Waterfront Drive Extension.

Waterfront Drive Connection.

Martin Slough Enhancement.

G&R Metals Remediation Project.

Stimulus-Funded Street Improvement Projects.

PALCO Marsh Vegetation Management.

Marine Life Protection Act.

Mad River Pipeline.

Wastewater Outfall Stabilization Project.

Food Waste Digester Project.

Biosolids Disposal.

Parcel 4.

For more information on any of the above or to inquire about something we are working on that is not listed above, please contact staff from the Community Development Department

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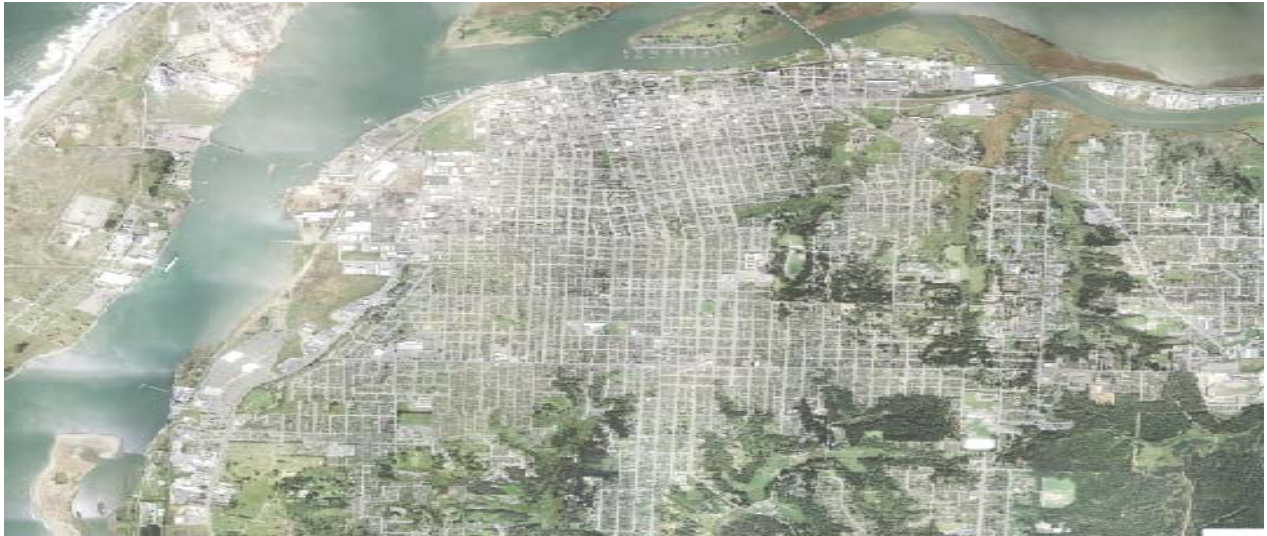
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ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Activities and Status Report

First Quarter 2010

Summary of Activities

1. Administration

The Engineering Department continues to operate under budgetary constraints with reduced staff level from previous years due to the current state of finances. Department staff continue to find cost effective solutions to serving the City's needs within the current fiscal constraints, while maintaining the level of service.

2. Construction Division

In the first quarter of 2010, two projects were completed, construction started or continued on two projects and engineering design continued on eleven projects and two programs.

3. Development Division

Development assisted with Earthquake repairs by speedily issuing no fee encroachment permits in the month of January. Issuing water, sewer and encroachment permits along with handling counter inquiries assist citizens and developers with their requests. Insurance reviews for leases, agreements, and encroachment permits continue to require approximately one employee's full time.

4. GIS Division

In the forthcoming fiscal year, The GIS Division is planning a centralized, "Enterprise" GIS migration, consolidation of mapping data between the City's Corporation Yard and Engineering Department and a public safety oriented, GIS-based response and planning system.

5. Traffic/Signals Division

Administering grant funding of \$3.6 million for traffic safety, streets, and signal improvements has been the focus of this division's first quarter.

6. Property Management

Property Management oversees Capital Improvement Program Projects along with performing routine property management duties, which include managing real property and the administration of leases for the City of Eureka and the Eureka Redevelopment Agency. Property Management continues to operate under budgetary constraints while continually searching for and evaluating cost effective measures for managing the City's real property.

Construction Division

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Carolyn McKenna

Angi Sorensen
Angela Martindale

Lisa Savage
Scott Ellsmore

The following projects were completed in the first quarter of 2010:

1. **Water Reservoir Maintenance and Security Project - Phase 2 – \$1,200,000**

This project was divided into the following two schedules of work:

Schedule A (\$400,000): Replace pumps & motor control center (\$200k); Construct emergency generator building and install emergency generator (\$200k).

Schedule B (\$710,000): Harden perimeter fence (\$50k); Install new entry gates and driveways (\$65k); Install reservoir security fence (\$85k) and security lighting (\$70k); Repair access road and slope (\$360k); Misc. security improvements (\$40k); Misc. site improvements (\$40k). (Sorensen, Travie Westlund, Oscar Larson & Associates) Mercer-Fraser Company.

2. **Eureka Flake Ice Facility – \$875,000**

A flake ice machine was installed on the City's existing finger pier adjacent to the Pacific Seafoods wharf at the foot of Commercial Street. The project installed a 50-ton flake ice machine to serve the commercial fishing fleet, which will be operated and maintained by Pacific Seafoods. The project was financed by a \$500,000 Headwaters Grant and \$375,000 of City of Eureka Redevelopment funds. (Gierlich, Ellsmore, Whitchurch Structural Engineering, Travie Westlund) PermaCold, Imperial Mfr., O&M Industries, Native Electrical Construction.

The following projects are currently in construction:

3. **“C” Street Market Square and Parking Lot Utilities – \$1,700,000**

Reconstruction of “C” Street from First Street to the Boardwalk, along with a 17,000 ft² Market Square (plaza). This pedestrian-oriented plaza area will include installation of street furniture consistent in number, scale, and style with those on the existing Boardwalk and “F” Street pedestrian plaza. The Square will also contain a performance area, Madaket ticket booth, outdoor dining areas, provisions for art sculptures, and an anchoring system for a 60x120 foot removable tent. Construction of the underground utilities to serve the Market Square and future Public Parking lot will be constructed as part of this project. (Gierlich, Martindale, Lapotre and Cleek Architecture, Travie Westlund, SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists) Pacific Earthscape Construction.

4. **Fishermen's Terminal Building – \$2,700,000**

Construction of a 17,300-ft² building adjacent to the Fishermen's Dock and Market Square, with 15,700 ft² dedicated to fish processing and coastal dependent businesses and 1,600 ft² dedicated to a retail seafood business and café, and a 41-space (including two ADA-compliant spaces) public parking lot immediately south of the Fishermen's Terminal Building. The parking lot will be landscaped and will include amenities

consistent in number, scale, and style with those on the existing Boardwalk and “F” Street pedestrian plaza, and it will include five spaces with provisions for electric vehicle charging stations. (Gierlich, Martindale, Savage, Lapotre and Cleek Architecture, Whitchurch Engineering, Travie Westlund, Skyline Technical Systems)

The following projects are currently in design:

- 5. Martin Slough Interceptor - Phase 1 – \$7,100,000 (\$2,572,905 Prop 50 Grant Funding + \$1,829,000 EPA Funding + \$ 971,300 City Funding + \$1,727,000 HCSD Participation)**
The City received State of California Proposition 50 grant funding and EPA Special Appropriations grant funding to construct the first phase of the Martin Slough Interceptor project. Phase 1 consists of permitting, easement acquisition, and construction of the main gravity wastewater interceptor pipeline from the “O” Street lift station to the Golf Course lift station. Construction is postponed, pending finalization of contractual cost sharing agreement, construction financing, permitting, and acquisition of easements. (Gierlich, Shikany, Savage, SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists)
- 6. Anode Bed Replacement on Cross Town Interceptor – \$40,000**
This work is an element of the continuing maintenance program for the cathodic protection system on the Cross Town Interceptor wastewater transmission main. A corrosion evaluation is required, and design and construction of the anode bed replacement will be based on the results of the corrosion evaluation. (Sorensen).
- 7. Biosolids Dewatering Facility - Phase 2 – \$1,400,000**
Phase 2 will consist of installing mechanical equipment for an automated dewatering facility. Phase 2 will be constructed in the future when financing allows. (Sorensen, Gehrke, SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists)
- 8. Mad River Pipeline Phase 4 – \$1,500,000**
Phase 4 will replace two sections of the Mad River Pipeline as a part of the continuing project to provide improved water supply system reliability. The section in Arcata is located between the south side of 7th Street and the California Highway Patrol Station, and the section in Eureka is located between the Ryan Slough Pump Station and the intersection of Frank and Glenwood Streets. Construction will be scheduled when financing allows. (Gierlich, Sorensen, Oscar Larson & Associates).
- 9. Water Reservoir Maintenance and Security Project - Phase 3 – \$200,000**
Phase 3 will consist of abrading and repainting the interior structural members of the reservoir roof. Construction is expected to begin in fall of 2010. (Sorensen, McKenna)
- 10. Former Carson Mill Site Cleanup – \$240,000**
The City received a second Brownfields Grant in the amount of \$200,000, for additional cleanup of contaminated soil on the City-owned property known as the Former Carson Mill Site or the Halvorsen Property. The project will consist of excavation, testing, and disposal of contaminated soil. The Site Cleanup Plan and Sampling and Analysis Plan have been approved by the EPA and Regional Water Quality Control Board, and the bid documents are being prepared. (Gierlich, Sorensen, SHN Engineers & Geologists).

The following projects are undergoing preliminary design and environmental review:

- 11. Waterfront Drive Extension Project - Del Norte to Hilfiker – \$12,000,000**
The extension of Waterfront Drive from Del Norte Street to Hilfiker Lane is currently under environmental evaluation and EIR preparation. Completion and circulation of the Draft Environmental Impact Report is anticipated in mid-2010. (Gierlich, Shikany, North State Resources, Oscar Larson & Associates)
- 12. Waterfront Drive Connection - Phase II “G” to “J” Streets – \$3,600,000**
This project will complete the northern portion of Waterfront Drive and provide the final link to a continuous multimodal transportation corridor along 2.4 miles of the City's Humboldt Bay waterfront, from “T” Street in the northeast to Del Norte Street at the southwest. The CEQA document is complete. A grant in the amount of \$450,000 was received from Caltrans' Local Assistance Program Bicycle Transportation Account. Staff is currently negotiating with the railroad authorities for right-of-way. (Gierlich, Martindale, Savage, Shikany, SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists).
- 13. Humboldt Bay Aquatic Center Floating Dock – \$450,000 (State Funded)**
City staff is working with the State of California to design and permit a new floating dock fronting the Humboldt Bay Aquatic Center. This dock will be used to launch crew shells and small water craft and will provide berthing for the Department of Fish and Game's motor vessel ALBACORE. (Savage, California State University).

The following projects are continuing:

- 14. High Zone Water Pump Station – \$500,000**
This project consists of the design and construction of a new pump station to replace the existing pumps that are used to fill the elevated water storage tank. (Gierlich, Sorensen, McKenna)
- 15. Martin Slough Interceptor - Phases 2a, 2b, & 2c – \$14,400,000**
Phase 2 of the Martin Slough Interceptor project includes construction of a new pump station (Phase 2a) and force main (Phase 2b). Phase 2c will consist of demolition of several lift stations and connection of various sewer basins to the interceptor to begin operation of the Martin Slough Interceptor as a complete and functional system. The construction schedules for Phases 2a,b,c will be based on securing funding for each phase. (Gierlich, SHN Consulting Engineers and Geologists, Brown and Caldwell)
- 16. Wastewater Facilities Plan and Program - Phase 2b – \$250,000**
Phase 2b of the Wastewater Facilities Plan will build on the recently completed Phase 2A Facilities Plan work. It will include updating and evaluating the ebb tide discharge model, effluent blending and storage evaluation, feasibility analysis for treating peak wet weather discharges, solids thickening facility pre-design, web-based collection system

model, and collection system Inflow and Infiltration reduction program. (Gierlich, Knight, Young, Gehrke) Brown and Caldwell

17. SCADA System Program – (\$160,000)

This program will upgrade the City's Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems. SCADA systems are used to monitor and control chemical, physical, and transport processes in municipal water and wastewater systems. The needs of the entire system are being assessed to identify, prioritize, and develop individual project budgets. The upgraded SCADA system will be designed to provide centralized monitoring of pump stations, reservoirs, and other mechanical systems. (Sorensen, ArcSine Engineering)

TOTAL: 17 Projects, \$48 Million Capital Improvement Value

Longer Term Projects:

A. Mad River Pipeline - Phases 5 & 6

Design and construction of subsequent phases of the Mad River Pipeline project will progress as funding becomes available. (Gierlich)

B. Sunny Avenue and 14th & 'P' Embankment Repairs – \$400,000

Preliminary construction plans were completed in October 2003, and have been placed "on the shelf". Construction funding for these projects has not been identified. (Gierlich, SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists)

C. Railroad Crossings – \$100,000

This project would replace at-grade railroad crossings at various locations. Construction is deferred pending availability of State funding.

D. North Eureka Gateway Transportation Enhancement Grant – \$1,500,000

This proposal is on hold. This project would enhance State Route 101 from Airport Road to "V" Street as an entrance gateway with street trees, landscaped medians, sidewalks, street lighting, and bike lanes. A prior \$800,000 proposal for the section from "V" Street to the Eureka Slough Bridges received strong community support. However, a major stakeholder, Keep Eureka Beautiful, no longer supports the project, and Caltrans will not sponsor the project without strong community support.

E. Sewer Lift Station Upgrades – \$300,000

This continuing maintenance project will upgrade wastewater lift stations and collection facilities on a yearly prioritized basis. The next project will focus on rebuilding the lift station at the intersection of Hilfiker Lane and Broadway. (Sorensen)

F. Extended Fuel Storage Facility – unknown cost at this time

The increasing number of backup generators installed at City facilities has created the potential for a shortage of fuel in the event of an extended emergency. This project will

quantify fuel storage requirements and evaluate potential sites at which additional fuel storage and dispensing facilities may be located in order to decentralize emergency fuel storage for City facilities. (Gierlich, Martindale, Knight, Young)

G. Commercial Street Underground Fuel Tank Replacement – \$300k to \$400k

This project consists of replacing the Underground Storage Tanks (UST's) with Above Ground Storage Tanks (AST's), soils remediation, and connecting the AST's to the new conveyance piping that was recently installed. Urgency of the tank replacement has diminished due to previous and ongoing work. Construction schedule has not been determined. (Gierlich, Savage, SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists)

Other Department Projects and Programs:

- **Engineering Standard Drawings and Design Standards**

The department has been developing engineering construction standards and detail drawings for a number of years. The end result will be a set of published documents containing design standards and details for water, wastewater, storm drains, streets, and other miscellaneous details used for construction in the City of Eureka. (Sorensen)

- **Water Distribution System Modeling**

This project will create a working model of the City of Eureka's water distribution system. The resulting model will be utilized in analyzing the water distribution system and designing future improvements to the water system, especially with respect to fire flow analysis and the impact of future development. (Sorensen, McKenna)

- **Engineering Document Database and Long Term Digital Storage program**

This project will create a computer database for all the Engineering Department files and maps. The program will include the scanning and storage of existing maps and documents into digital file format utilizing the department's scanners. (Martindale)

Development Division

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Review of:

1. Agreements for Encroachments, Monitoring Wells and Subdivision Improvements, (0)
2. Building Permits, (8 permits, some with several reviews)
3. Encroachment Permits (51)
4. Insurance Reviews, (168, some with several reviews)
5. Water Permits, (6)
6. Sewer Permits, (4)
7. Requests for Service or Complaints, (10)
8. Street Tree Reviews, (0)
9. Certificate of Subdivision Compliance Descriptions, (0)
10. Coastal Development Permits, (7)
11. Conditional Use Permits, (2)
12. Design Review Applications, (10)
13. Street and Alley Vacations, (0)
14. Variances, (0)
15. Lot Line Adjustments, (0)
16. Parcel Maps, (0)
17. Subdivision Maps, (0)
18. Descriptions for City Projects, (1)
19. Humboldt County Referrals, (0)

In addition to assisting citizens at the counter, and working on future projects, Staff also works on the following programs and attends the following meetings:

1. **Capital Improvements Program**

Engineering staff is beginning the annual update of the City's Five-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP). This document is used to identify needed capital improvement projects and to coordinate the financing and timing of improvements. The primary purpose of the CIP is to assist in the orderly implementation of the broad and comprehensive goals of the adopted General Plan and for the maintenance and replacement of the City's infrastructure by establishing an orderly basis to guide local officials in making sound budget decisions and by focusing attention on community goals, needs and capabilities to maximize the benefit of public expenditures. The 2009-2014 CIP was reviewed by the Planning Commission in February 9, 2009 and received and filed by the Eureka City Council at its March 3, 2009 meeting. (Martindale, Boughton)

2. City Council

Staff attends the twice monthly Council meetings to answer questions Council may have on Engineering agenda items and to have a better understanding of Council directions and concerns for the City. (Gierlich, Boughton)

3. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program (DBE)

In order for the City of Eureka to receive Federal Financial Assistance from the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), the City of Eureka is required to sign an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26. The City of Eureka has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program in accordance with the regulations of the 49 CFR Part 26. Engineering updates the Program yearly to reflect proposed use of Federal monies during the next fiscal year and establish a goal for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation on each federal financed project. The State has a new twist to the program by adding Underutilized Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (UDBE's). (Boughton)

4. Design Review

Staff attends Community Development's twice monthly meetings and provides written comments. The comments are generally preliminary notification of conditions or permit requirements from Engineering, in order to perform certain work efforts. (Shannon, Boughton)

5. Development Coordination Committee

Staff attends Community Development's meetings, along with other departments and utility representatives, to coordinate applicants' projects and to set conditions. (Boughton)

6. Humboldt County Liaison Committee

Staff attends the monthly meetings to coordinate agency and utility projects. The County, cities and each utility company provide information to coordinate projects in the most efficient and costly manner. Staff has been instrumental in reinitiating these valuable monthly meetings. (Sorensen, Boughton)

9. Insurance Review

Staff reviews insurance certificates and endorsements for all Engineering contracts, including Agreements and Leases along with reviews for contractors/persons wishing to work in City rights-of-way under Encroachment Permits. Reviews require a technical knowledge of insurance requirements and documentation which transfers the liability of the action of others working for the City or working within our rights-of-way. (Peerson)

10. Open Space, Parks and Recreation Commission

Staff attends the once a month meeting to update the Commission on Engineering projects of their concern and to answer questions the Commission may have. (Boughton)

11. Planning Commission

Staff attends Planning Commission meetings to answer City Engineering questions the Commission may have on agenda items and to have a better understanding of the Commission's direction. (Boughton)

12. Transportation Safety Commission

The Transportation Safety Commission received training via staff presentations on various transportation related topics. They have reviewed several issues as directed by the City Council along with looking at several citizen requests. (Boughton, Parrott, Moody)

GIS Division

Riley Topolewski

The GIS Division, staffed with an intern and a coordinator, has the following projects or tasks either completed or currently underway during the first quarter of 2010.

- **Creation of a Centralized, GIS Server**
The GIS Division has a new centralized, dedicated GIS server. The new server will allow for a new array of GIS services for city, private and public access clients. The hardware is in place and the GIS Division has begun migrating data and applications during this past quarter.
- **Housing Element Collaboration**
The GIS Division produced all mapping elements of the Housing Element of the City's General Plan Update. In accordance with Community Development's requests, subsets of parcels were grouped into various categories and thematically mapped. New GIS datasets were also created and have become commonly exchanged information.
- **Web GIS Application**
The GIS Division has recently migrated its old Web GIS application to a brand new web application that runs on ESRI's ArcGIS Server. The new site is available on the City of Eureka GIS Program Homepage, <http://www.ci.eureka.ca.gov/depts/engineering/gis.asp>
- **Block/Utility Map Consolidation**
The GIS Division has completed the scanning of all Corporation Yard Utility maps. Block maps, water maps and drainage maps comprise the bulk of the effort. Phase two of this project involves meticulously noting any and all differences between the maps maintained by the Corp Yard and those maintained by the Engineering Department. Phase two is complete. Phase three, which is currently underway, consists of processing the consolidated mapping information into the appropriate GIS datasets.
- **Host Regional GIS Users Group**
The City of Eureka Bayroom at the Wharfinger building is the new location for the North Coast GIS User's Group. The group meets quarterly to discuss the latest applications of GIS on the north coast
- **Wireless E 9-1-1 Project**
The GIS Division has been involved in the statewide Wireless E 9-1-1 Project in conjunction with the City of Eureka Police Department. The GIS Division is responsible for the accurate placement of addresses received from the city Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP). PSAPs are responsible for answering 9-1-1 calls for emergency assistance from police, fire, and ambulance services.

- **Water Distribution System Mapping**
Digital datasets describing Eureka's water distribution infrastructure have been created and are currently being revised to improve accuracy and add features. Water meter locations and service connections are being mapping as well as attributed with pertinent data.
- **Wastewater Collection System Mapping**
The GIS Division updates and maintains existing GIS datasets describing the City of Eureka, and HCSD wastewater collection system to remain current.
- **Parcel Database Updates**
The GIS Division updates the existing City of Eureka parcel database. Changes in parcel boundaries as dictated by the county assessor's office and various other sources are reflected. Ongoing.
- **Local Area Network Application Creation/Maintenance**
Creation and maintenance of specific GIS applications for City of Eureka employees. Most applications utilize the Arcreader platform or mapserver web-gis. (ongoing)
- **Application Deployment**
Develop and deploy specific applications for specific departmental needs. For example, develop mapping applications with an emphasis on utility information for employees within the maintenance divisions. (Ongoing)
- **Process Daily Requests for Mapping**
The GIS Division is solely responsible for the requests from various departments for current mapping. These requests occur on a daily basis.

Traffic/Signals Division

Sheila Parrott

Dan Moody

Scott Ellsmore

The following project has been awarded:

Street Overlay 2009 - \$585,678

This project will pave full street widths and repair sidewalk defects on Hodgson Street and Summer Street and Harris Street will be ground and patched from Broadway to "K" Street. Construction is anticipated to begin Spring 2010. American Recovery & Reinvestment Act funding for this project is being provided.

The following project is out to bid:

Street Overlay 2010 - \$400,000

This project will rehabilitate 3rd Street between Broadway and "B" Street, including an AC overlay, sidewalk construction, and storm drain replacement. In addition, Harris Street will be ground and patched from "K" Street to Harrison Avenue. Bid opening is March 23rd, and the project will be awarded in April with construction anticipated to begin Summer 2010. American Recovery & Reinvestment Act and Gas Tax funding will be provided for this project.

The following projects are in design:

Harris and Central Traffic Signal - \$175,000

This project will construct a new traffic signal at the intersection of Harris and Central. Design is in review and construction is anticipated to begin spring 2010. Proposition 1B funding for this project has been received.

Maintenance Paving 2010 - \$125,000

This project will rehabilitate 23rd Street, between Dean and Harrison, County Lane between 17th and West, Waterfront Drive between the railroad tracks, and a utility trench failure on Manzanita and will include the installation of an ADA compliant crosswalk. Design is in progress and construction is anticipated to begin summer 2010. Proposition 1B, STIP and HCSD funding will be used for this project.

Campton Road Guardrail Installation - \$88,000

This project will install guardrail on Campton Road to reduce run off the road type collisions. The design is in review and construction is anticipated to begin spring 2010. HSIP (Highway Safety Improvement Program) grant funding has been awarded.

Harris and E, Harris and F Streets Left Turn Signalization - \$154,000

This project will install southbound left turns at the Harris and E Street, and Harris and F Street intersections. This will include new lanes, signal heads, signal arms, and detector

loops. Preliminary design is in process and construction is anticipated to begin spring 2010. HSIP grant funding has been awarded for these safety improvements.

Harris and Harrison Signalization Upgrades - \$200,000

This project will install north and southbound left turn signalization at the Harris and Harrison intersection. This will include new lanes, signal heads, signal arms, and detector loops. Preliminary design is in process and construction is anticipated to begin spring 2010. Proposition 1B funding for this project has been received.

Safe Routes to School – Washington Elementary School - \$200,000

This project will install traffic calming features, improve crosswalks, and fill sidewalk gaps in the Washington Elementary School area. The design is in review and construction is anticipated to begin spring 2010. A Safe Routes to School grant was approved for this project and an educational element is included which will be completed by RCAA.

The following projects have been awarded grant funding:

Harris and “S” Street Signal Improvements - \$160,000

Grant funding for the installation of protected left turn signals was awarded through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). The installation of protected left turn signals at Harris and “S” Streets has been previously identified in the CIP.

Emergency Vehicle Pre-emption Equipment - \$584,100

Grant funding for the installation of emergency vehicle pre-emption equipment was awarded through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). The installation of emergency vehicle pre-emption equipment at all City-owned traffic signals has been previously identified in the CIP.

The following funding is being pursued:

Jobs for Main Street Act of 2010 – Overlay Harris Street \$740,000

Street Overlay 2009 and Street Overlay 2010 will remove and patch the failing pavement sections on Harris Street. This is a precursor to a final overlay on Harris Street from Broadway to Harrison Avenue. The Jobs for Main Street Act has been proposed to provide \$27 billion for highway funding. Similar to the ARRA funding, this proposed federal funding has very short timelines for allocation and consequently only projects that already have environmental clearance will be considered. The Harris Street overlay project has been submitted to HCAOG for inclusion in the programming list for this funding.

Transportation Enhancement (TE) – Sidewalk Construction/Relocation \$180,000

An opportunity to fill the shortfall in the allocation for the Safe Routes to School project is being presented through TE funding. This project will include the relocation of the sidewalk in front of Washington Elementary School and sidewalk gap infill on Harris Street that was previously identified in the Safe Routes to School application. This

funding has been programmed in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for fiscal year 2012/13 and the TE application is being reviewed.

The following report was prepared:

Radar Speed Survey

Every five years the Traffic Division conducts a radar speed survey on all arterial and collector streets on which radar will be used to enforce speed limits. The completed report was approved by the Transportation Safety Commission and the City Council last quarter. The report is being presented to the courts. Following their acceptance, two street sections (14th & California Streets) will have their posted speed limits lowered to 25 mph.

Longer Term Projects:

1. Downtown Parking Assessment District Task Force

The Parking District Number One Task Force is revising its recommendations to the City Council for the operation and possible expansion of the parking district. These recommendations include expansion to the north, shared use parking standards, and residential parking ordinance changes.

2. Eureka-Arcata Corridor Project

Staff has attended several meetings with the State and the Jacobs Avenue business community regarding access into and out of Jacobs Avenue. Staff continues to provide input to the State's project engineers.

3. Greater Eureka Strategic Transportation Plan

The City, County, HCAOG, and State staff continue to work on the Greater Eureka Area Traffic Model which will be used for coordinated regional traffic forecasting by each entity. The traffic model will be used in a City /County project to identify future traffic impacts associated with development and the creation of a Traffic Management Program to assess fees and implement projects to mitigate those impacts.

4. Greater Eureka Micro-simulation Project

The latest version of TransModeler, GEOmicrosim has been provided and is being evaluated, tested, and calibrated by the staff. Several revisions to the GEA micro-simulation model have occurred which allow for more detailed simulation of detector operations. Web-based and hands-on training continues with staff using the latest model data. Staff continues to provide input and participation in the calibration process.

5. Underground Utility Conversion

Nine blocks of utilities on Fourth Street, between Myrtle and Y, will be considered for Rule 20A undergrounding. The City currently has a Rule 20A work credit balance with PG&E of \$2.8 million. The typical project schedule will include design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction.

6. Broadway Feasibility Study

The City is one of several stakeholders in Caltrans' Feasibility Study of the Broadway corridor. The section of Broadway between Kmart and 5th Street is being examined for improvements for non-motorized users. Staff continues to provide input and participation in the process.

7. Route 255 Feasibility Study

The City is one of several stakeholders in Caltrans' Feasibility Study of Route 255. The section of Route 255 between Eureka and Arcata is being examined for traffic improvements for all modes of transportation. Staff participation in the project continues.

8. Pavement Management Program

The City and HCAOG entities are participating in the development of a regional Pavement Program to generate a systematic method to assist in determining roadway pavement maintenance, rehabilitation, and reconstruction needs. This effort will provide an opportunity for prioritization of these needs to maximize efficient use of limited resources. Staff is currently providing feedback on the initial pavement condition rating submittal.

Other Division Projects and Programs:

The Traffic/Signals Division of the Engineering Department continues working with the State, County, and private developers on various traffic studies in and around the City of Eureka. This Division has also provided assistance to the Engineering and Public Works Staff in reviewing traffic issues for various projects.

1. Traffic Signals

Maintaining operation of the 25 City owned traffic signals is a primary duty for this Division. Several traffic collisions this quarter have required the replacement of signal equipment at various locations.

2. Traffic Studies

Staff is currently reviewing the new traffic signal plans for installation in the County at Harris & Walford (Safeway store). Due to the close proximity to the Harris and Harrison signals, upgrades will be required and timing between the two locations must be synchronized. A maintenance agreement between the City and County, for the signals, is being developed.

3. Parking Items

The Parking Place Commission is currently fully staffed with seven commissioners. Staff prepares the agenda, sends notices regarding requests, gathers data and documentation, prepares staff reports, and attends monthly meetings regarding on and off-street parking issues.

4. Meetings with EPD Traffic Officers

Monthly meetings with Tony Zanotti and Gary Whitmer of EPD continue. Current traffic related issues include requests for traffic control devices, locations for increased enforcement, pedestrian safety, parking zones, and parking meters.

5. Transportation Safety Commission

Staff attends monthly meetings and provides training, data, and reports of various traffic studies, and projects, at the request of the Transportation Safety Commission.

6. Humboldt County Association of Governments Technical Advisory Committee

Staff attends monthly meetings regarding the programming of regional transportation improvement funding and provides data, estimates and input.

7. Electronic Parking Meter Program

Staff maintains parking meter electronics and collects and maintains inventory, coin and card audits, and maintenance data from all City-owned metered parking lots. This data provides finance with a means to audit revenue through reports generated by the parking meter software. Additional reports track revenue by stall and lot and provides stall and lot occupancy rates.

8. Community Pedestrian Safety Training

A training workshop provided by California WALKS, UC Berkeley, Safe Transportation Research & Education Center, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and California Office of Traffic Safety, is being attended and organized by staff, with participation of EPD, Caltrans, County of Humboldt Departments of Public Health and Public Works, and Redwood Community Action Agency. The workshop is scheduled for April 26th at the Wharfinger.

9. Training

Many webinars, workshops, and training sessions were attended this quarter. These included an MUTCD Workshop, Caltrans Webinar Teleconferences (biweekly), Community Approaches to Pedestrian Safety Education webinar, Invoicing Federal Aid Funds for Local Agencies webinar, Selection of Pedestrian Treatments at Unsignalized Crossings webinar, Contract Administration webinar, and a Sign Retroreflectivity Seminar.

10. Other

In addition to the items listed above, regular items processed during the quarter included:

- 7 Special Event requests (traffic control plans included)
- 6 Work Orders for new signs, markings, and parking controls
- 11 Transportation Permits
- 4 Project referrals – Community Development
- Collision pin map and accident report filing
- Complaints and inquiries

Property Management Division

Lisa Savage

In addition to performing routine property management duties, the following activities of interest occurred during the past quarter.

1. **New Leases/Licenses**

California State University/Humboldt State University– Humboldt State University has negotiated a Lease Amendment to the Boating Instructional Safety Center (aka Aquatic Center) February 10, 2003, Lease Agreement. The Amendment approves the construction of a floating dock adjacent to the Aquatic Center, and a long-term land lease for the City owned tidelands. The Lease Amendment was approved by the State Lands Commission on October 22, 2009. - **Update**- The City has signed the Lease and will forward to CSU for signature.

2. **Lease/License Renewals and Terminations**

Chevron USA - The City's Lease with Chevron USA, Inc. for tidelands property located at the end of Christie Street expired during the fourth quarter of 2008. The Lease is in a month to month holdover tenancy while the City and Chevron negotiate the new terms of the Lease. Staff and representatives from Chevron have met twice, but have not been able to come to an agreement. The City proposed new lease terms to Chevron; Chevron countered the City's terms with an offer that would net the City roughly half of what they have previously paid. - **Update**- The City prepared a compromise offer, which Chevron accepted, with the exception of paying the City retroactive rent. The City held firm on the retroactive rental payments and Chevron declined the offer. The City has followed up with a letter reiterating the final offer and is awaiting a response from Chevron.

Eureka Forest Products – Eureka Forest Products has expressed interest in an early renewal of their tidelands lease. This would result in higher rent for the City and secure a long term lease for Eureka Forest Products. A tentative lease agreement was drafted, reviewed by the City Attorney and forwarded to Eureka Forest Products for review. They have commented and requested some changes which the City is reviewing. - **Update**- Negotiations have tentatively stalled.

The Ink People – The January 9, 2010 earthquake damaged the portion of the Municipal Auditorium (former Winship School building) the Ink People leases from the City. Following an inspection, it was determined that a significant hazard is present and the area is no longer safe for continual use. The Ink People moved to a new location.

3. **Activities of Interest**

Community Service Work Referral Program - Humboldt County's probation department places workers requiring community service time with the City. During the past quarter Community Service Workers served the City at the Zoo and the Marina.

4. **Facilities Inspection**

Facility inspections will resume in April 2010.

5. **Real Property Work Completed**

Three service/work requests were processed during the first quarter.

The following projects are in final design:

1. **Fisherman's Terminal Building – 17,000 s.f.**

The Fishermen's Terminal Building will be located adjacent to the Fisherman's Dock. The Fisherman's Terminal Building will have space dedicated to fish processing, retail seafood, and a café. Two businesses have committed to lease processing space in the building with one tenant committing to lease office and dock space. The Redevelopment Agency is pursuing a possible tenant for the Café. - **Update-** The lease agreements for the building are in the final review stage between the City and the tenants. (Savage)

The following projects are undergoing preliminary design and environmental review:

1. **Martin Slough Enhancement Project - \$4,400,000**

Through 2009 the partial funding for the Martin Slough Enhancement Project provided by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) was in suspension until Proposition 50 bonds could be sold. RCAA was notified in December 2009 that the year-long suspension was being lifted and that funding had been restored. RCAA is requesting a contract amendment to extend the project termination date as the current termination date is March 31, 2010.

In 2009 one unsuccessful application for implementation funding was made to the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration's Community-based Restoration Program. The Martin Slough project did not compete favorably because CEQA had not been completed and the program was looking for "shovel-ready" projects.

Associated studies which had been partially completed before the suspension of funding included a wetland delineation and a low flow study to determine if the pond at the upper end of the golf course could supply enough irrigation water to irrigate both the front and back nine. A technical memo which will describe the study and its results is being prepared and will be provided to the City and Courseco within the next month.

RCAA is working with consulting engineers Winzler & Kelly to move forward on project designs and supporting documents needed for completion of a CEQA document for the project. Our goal is to get to a sufficient design level to prepare a CEQA document for the entire project, and prepare 100% designs for the replacement of the tide gates at the mouth of Martin Slough. **(No Change)** (Savage, RCAA, Winzler & Kelly Consulting Engineers)

2. Salt Marsh Restoration, \$250,000, 2010/2011 construction

The Fisherman's Terminal Project required the mitigation for salt marsh covered by the construction of the wharf. At this time, the City is reevaluating the original "Eureka Slough Site" for the salt marsh mitigation. The City is negotiating with the adjacent property owner to secure access across their property to the City's Property.

Memo



To: David Tyson, City Manager
From: Garr Nielsen, Chief of Police
Date: April 15, 2010
Re: Jan Feb Mar 2010 Quarterly Report

CHIEF'S MESSAGE

For EPD no quarter is ever routine, and this one was no different. It began and ended with two extraordinary events which challenged the organization and demonstrated the degree of professionalism, sacrifice, and dedication which characterize EPD. They also are graphic representations of how far this organization has come in the last three years in building a community partnership of trust and cooperation.

On Saturday afternoon, January 9, we had two dispatchers on duty at 4:30 pm when the earthquake struck. Within the next eight hours the dispatch center received over 735 calls for service, directed the actions of emergency personnel and, to a large degree, made the chaos manageable. While it is the collaboration of public and private entities that results in the successful management of crises, it is the emergency communication center that is the focal point for managing the resources, triaging, and bringing some comfort to traumatized individuals. Within two hours the communications center was staffed with five dispatchers who continued through the night to take calls and manage resources. And while it is important to acknowledge the extraordinary work that so many public employees did during the crisis I think it is important that we recognize these amazing people because they are not seen, but are truly the first responders.

We are all so indebted to the dispatchers for watching over us and doing all they can to keep us out of harm's way. They have the most difficult job in law enforcement, often frustrating, thankless, but also the most critical.

On March 18, two of our officers encountered an armed individual who had fired a weapon moments earlier at someone, and was engaged in a physical altercation with an innocent homeowner. During the course of that struggle the suspect pointed a loaded gun at the face of one of my officers twice. Ultimately the officers employed deadly force to save their lives and the life of the homeowner. The California Department of Justice lead the investigation into the shooting, but our personnel did much of the initial work in securing the scene,

interviewing witnesses, taking care of our officers, the homeowner, and ensuring that information was provided in a timely and accurate fashion to the community.

The reaction across all spectrums of the community was one of overwhelming support and compassion for our officers and agency. I even had the local director of the ACLU tell me that he thought our officers were heroes and asked me to express my condolences to them and their families for having to deal with such a traumatic incident.

For those who have been reluctant or slow to appreciate the significance of the changes between this organization and the community, they have missed the significance of how a change in organizational culture can impact a community. This incident should eliminate any doubt that the tide has turned relative to our relationship with the citizens of Eureka. That is not to say we don't have much work to do, as nurturing a positive and trusting partnership requires constant attention, but clearly the corner has been turned.

For us, this changes the environment in substantial respects for my personnel. While we face more dangerous individuals with fewer resources it is imperative that our relationship with the community and our partner agencies be such that we are able to most effectively leverage our diminishing resources. With a more supportive community and stronger partnerships we can more effectively concentrate our resources on dealing with public safety issues absent the distraction of adversarial community relationships. As the collaboration continues to progress we will see the positive results of a community which is more invested in dealing with livability issues surrounding public safety. As you will note in the following report, EPD continues to perform at a high level of efficiency in the face of significant staffing issues in dispatch, increasing demands upon our operational and support units. As we face another difficult budgetary cycle the demands upon the organization will be greater but we will meet the challenge as we have in the face of every adversity that we have endured.

Patrol & Police Services

Between January 1 and March 31, 2009, Eureka Police Officers responded to 9,439 calls for service and conducted approximately 7,980 self-initiated enforcement actions resulting in 2873 written reports and 1,160 arrests.

Selected Calls of Interest:

OFFICER ASSAULTED – TASER & O.C. USED TO APPREHEND THE SUSPECT

On March 7th, 2010 at about 11:46 a.m. Officer Josh Siipola stopped to talk to a male pedestrian, later identified as Colt Lyon – age 27 of Eureka, in the 1300 block of 5th Street for being in possession of an open container of beer in public.

During the course of the conversation regarding the obvious Municipal Code violation, Lyon suddenly and without provocation, began to physically assault the officer about the head and shoulders. The two began to struggle and went to



the ground. Lyon was able to kick the officer off of him and began to run away. During the ensuing foot pursuit Officer Siipola deployed his Taser upon the suspect. The Taser probes struck Lyon but did not make a good enough connection to stop him. Lyon was able to resist the electrical charge and continued to run away as several surprised witnesses looked on.

Officer Siipola continued to chase Lyon as they crossed 5th Street and into a parking lot where Officer Siipola applied OC spray (pepper spray) to the suspect's face. The OC had the desired affect and Officer Siipola was then able to overcome Lyon's resistance and successfully took him into custody.

Lyon was medically cleared for booking at St Joseph Hospital for minor scrapes, OC spray exposure, and Taser probe removal. Officer Siipola sustained scrapes to his hands and knuckles.

Lyon was booked at the HCCF for felony assault on an officer, and probation violation.

OFFICER INJURED DURING SHORT IMPROMPTU RIDE

On March 3, 2010 at about 11:36 p.m. Officer Baird attempted to stop a white Toyota pickup for a "simple" lighting violation at 4th and L Streets. The driver apparently didn't feel like stopping for the officer as he continued driving down 4th Street towards Broadway at about 5 MPH over the speed limit. With the officer close behind following his every move, the driver eventually yielded coming to a stop shortly after turning onto Broadway from 4th Street. Because of the driver's reluctance to stop in a timely manner, two additional officers (Winkle and Dennison) responded to the location to assist Officer Baird.

Upon contacting the driver, the officers found that he was uncooperative and argumentative. The driver smelled of alcohol and admitted having consumed alcoholic beverages earlier in the evening. When the officers asked the driver to step out of the truck for a field sobriety test (FST), he ignored the request. The doors to the vehicle were locked; however, the driver's side window was partially open. After the driver refused to comply with repeated requests to exit his vehicle, Officer Winkle approached to the driver's side door to assist in removal of the driver from the vehicle.



The driver immediately responded by rolling up the window and putting the truck into gear to leave. In an attempt to stop him, Officer Winkle grabbed the top of the window to keep it from going up. This maneuver caused the window to shatter in Officer Winkle's hands. Officer Winkle then reached into the vehicle to get the driver to stop but Olson instead drove off at a



Ross Olson
IN CUSTODY

high rate of speed. Officer Winkle was caught, hanging half in and half out of the vehicle, as it traveled southbound on Broadway. Officer Winkle was stuck in this precarious position for approximately a block. The vehicle's speed was estimated to be at least 30 MPH when Officer Winkle ended his impromptu ride and fell out of the vehicle and onto the roadway. Unfortunately Officer Winkle received road rash type injuries to his arms and legs from the fall but he quickly regained his composure and joined the chase that ensued.

The officers (in their own patrol vehicles) pursued the driver as he travelled south on Broadway to his own residence located on the 7100 block of London Drive (Humboldt Hill). Upon arriving at the residence, the driver jumped out of the vehicle, and attempted to run inside the house; however, the front door was locked. Finding himself trapped in front of his own house with nowhere to go, the suspect aggressively confronted the officers who were hot on his heels. Believe it or not, the driver attempted to punch the officers as they closed in for the apprehension. The driver's actions caused one of the Officers to deploy his Taser in hopes of quickly ending the ensuing physical fight but the driver wasn't willing to give up that easily and still had to be physically restrained before he could be completely secured in handcuffs.

The driver was identified as Ross Emery Olson, age 24, of Eureka and was taken to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for assault with a deadly weapon on an officer, felony evading, DUI, and other related charges. Officer Winkle was treated for his minor injuries at St. Joseph's hospital and was back at work the next night.

OFFICER INVOLVED CRITICAL INCIDENT – BEING PREPARED

Law enforcement officers throughout the country are governed by agencies that dictate what types of training officers are mandated to have, in California that agency is called "Peace Officers Standards and Training" or POST for short. POST requires that all officers attend a "minimum" amount of training in various areas deemed to be "perishable skills." These areas include driving, firearms, investigations and arrest and control techniques just to name a few.

All training needs to be reviewed by POST and if deemed necessary to the job, receives POST certification. POST requires that officers attend "basic" courses that are usually taught while at the police academy; however, upon gaining employment with an agency, officers are required to attend "advanced officer training" as well as "annual updates" in various areas.

Certain areas require a "minimum" of 8 hours of training every 2 years. One of these areas is "arrest and control techniques" more commonly referred to as Defensive Tactics. The officers of the Eureka Police Department strive to train above and beyond this 8 hour minimum. On average, the majority of the officers receive 4 hours of DT training per month. The officers are trained not only to be physically prepared for any confrontation, but mentally prepared as well.

DT instructors utilize a variety of techniques to train officers in many areas including empty hand tactics, impact weapons, control devices, handcuffing, verbal commands, pain compliance, take downs, single/multiple officer tactics, weapon retention, and the rest of the available force options, including lethal force. The training is often dynamic and scenario based with as much realism as possible. Officers are placed into situations where they have to talk or fight their way out of dangerous situations. Officers, who attend these training sessions, leave with a better understanding of their abilities to protect themselves as well as others.



The point of all this is to illustrate the background of the officers involved in the incident that transpired in the morning hours of March 18, 2010 and resulted in the death of an armed individual who was intent on bringing harm to others. I will not say much about the incident itself, as it is still under investigation. But I will say that the involved officers are all seasoned officers with years of experience. All are trained in SWAT tactics and all are regular participants of DT training. All take their training and their jobs extremely serious. All are trained professionals. And all went home to their families that night.

This was an incident that could have ended any number of ways. In this case, the armed individual made a conscious choice and the officers were left with no option but to react as they had trained, physically and mentally. This is one of the realities of this job. Officers understand that on any given day they might have to place themselves in harm's way and either give their life or take a life so that others might live. This is a conscious choice they make. This profession isn't for everyone, it's a calling. Once you answer the call, you'll never be the same again.

A Little Humor:

THERE ARE SOME THINGS YOU JUST CAN'T MAKE UP!

As told by Sgt. Mike Quigley

One cold raining Friday evening in February I was sitting in my office when one of our new dispatchers walked by the open door, I struck up a conversation with her. Knowing that she had just spent a week at training in Redding, CA, I commented that the drive home this evening must have been treacherous with the snow on Hwy 299. She said there was some snow but it wasn't near as bad as when she drove to Redding the previous Sunday. She said on that day she had a strange experience that she didn't understand. She then related this following account of her trip.

On Sunday evening as she drove out of Weaverville it was snowing pretty heavily. As she began to climb Buckhorn Mountain there was a California Highway Patrol Officer standing in the roadway stopping all oncoming vehicles. She took her place in line and when she came up to the officer she rolled down her window. He looked at her and said, "You need chains." She apparently thought this was just a random inquiry from an officer with nothing better to do and answered, "No thank you." The undoubtedly bewildered (and probably somewhat frustrated) officer then restated what he thought was a statement and she thought was a question, saying, "No, I'm telling you, you need chains." As he did so he pointed to a wide turnout on the side of the road where numerous vehicles were parked with people putting chains on vehicle tires.

Thankful for such great service but still somewhat baffled, the dispatcher took her place in the turn out with the rest of the vehicles. This is where the experience took a turn that she just couldn't understand. She apparently sat there for fifteen to twenty minutes waiting for "them" to put chains on her car and "they" never did show up. This might be one of those "you had to be there" moments but the look on her face and the inflection in her voice said "apparently there was a communication problem between the officer who offered me the chains and the people who supply and install them." After waiting for the "Chain Fairies" for as long as she could, she decided it was getting late and made the decision that she just couldn't wait for them any longer and continued on her trip.

At this point I was able to compose myself enough to ask her, "So you drove over Buckhorn Mountain in the snow without chains?" And her answer, ever sincere and informative was, "Yeah, I just drove slow and there was no one else on the road. They were all getting their chains."

While we at the police department can sometimes become cynical and jaded because it seems that we always encounter people at their worst and deal with drama and trauma day after day, little gems like this that come from out of the blue can make it all worth it. As I said at the beginning, *there are some things that you just can't make up.*

(Disclaimer: I did obtain permission from the dispatcher to share this story and in her defense, she recently moved here from the Northeast where you put your snow tires on in the fall and take them off in the spring. Tire chains are an unknown to folks in that region.)

ADDITIONAL FUNDING ALLOWS CHP TO CONTINUE ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS

Once again the California Highway Patrol partnered with the Police Department to provide supplemental law enforcement within the City limits. As a result of a state funded grant, CHP was able to provide approximately 995 hours of patrol time within the city limits over an eleven week time period from mid October to mid December.

As part of the grant, CHP provided up to four officers to primarily patrol problem areas of the city from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. several days a week. Even though CHP's primary responsibility involved traffic enforcement, CHP officers were often called upon to assist Department personnel with non-traffic related matters.

Activity Stats for CHP

	Last Qtr	Current
ENFORCEMENT STOPS	783	880
COLLISIONS	7	15
DUI IN CUSTODY	11	6
CITATIONS TOTAL	528	557
IMPOUNDED VEHICLES	27	44
VERBAL WARNINGS	257	281
FELONY ARREST	5	10
OTHER ARREST (non DUI)	19	15
PD ASSIST	212	276



EPD CRIME SUPPRESSION/GANG UNIT:

EPD OFFICERS SERVE SEARCH WARRANT ON SUSPECTED METHAMPHETAMINE DEALER – TWO ARRESTED

On Tuesday, 2/09/10, Officers with the Eureka Police Department's Crime/Gang Suppression (CSU) and Problem-Oriented Policing (POP) Units served a search warrant on a suspected methamphetamine dealer and his residence in the 600 block of West Everding Street. This was in response to numerous on-going complaints by neighbors and Housing Authority officials about drug sales and suspicious persons associated with suspect in the vicinity of his residence. The investigation was initiated and coordinated by a Patrol/CSU officer, who enlisted POP's help during the operation.

At about 1043 hours, an officer on surveillance spotted the suspect, Don Khounsinvong (age 35 of Eureka), driving his 1995 Dodge Neon eastbound in the 900 block of West Harris Street. Officers stopped Khounsinvong after he pulled into the nearby Safeway parking lot. Khounsinvong and his passenger, Rhonda Renae Vanbibber (age 34), were detained and their vehicle searched pursuant to the search warrant. During the subsequent search of their vehicle and persons, officers located approximately 1/8 ounce of suspected crystal methamphetamine, approximately one gram of suspected tar heroin, a drug smoking pipe, "MSM" pills (used as a "cutting agent" for methamphetamine sales), and over \$300.00 cash consistent with drug sales.

Following the traffic stop, officers searched Khounsinvong's residence on West Everding Street where they located a small quantity of suspected concentrated cannabis (hash and hash oil), drug (methamphetamine) smoking pipes, and more evidence of methamphetamine sales including two digital gram scales and numerous "MSM" pills.

Khounsinvong was arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for transportation and possession of methamphetamine for purposes of sales, possession of concentrated cannabis, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Vanbibber was arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where she was booked for possession of heroin, possession of methamphetamine for sale, and possession of drug paraphernalia. Vanbibber also had an outstanding misdemeanor warrant for which she was arrested.



**TWO ARRESTED, ONE OUNCE OF METHAMPHETAMINE SEIZED BY EPD OFFICERS
DURING SEARCH WARRANT SERVICE**

On Wednesday, 2/24/10, Officers with the Eureka Police Department's Crime/Gang Suppression (CSU) Unit, assisted by the Problem Oriented Policing Unit, served a search

warrant on a suspected methamphetamine dealer and his residence. This was partly in response to many citizen complaints about suspected drug sales activity occurring in and around a residence in the 2400 block of C Street, Eureka. The investigation was initiated and coordinated by a Patrol/CSU officer, who enlisted POP's help during the operation.

At about 12:39 PM, officers on surveillance spotted the suspect's 1991 Jaguar driving southbound on E Street near 15th Street. Officers conducted a traffic stop on vehicle and detained its occupants, Thomas Uttam Ferguson, 36 of Eureka, and Showshawnee Harmony Hillemeier, 21, also of Eureka. During a subsequent search of Ferguson's vehicle, officers located approximately one ounce of suspected crystal methamphetamine, which was hidden behind a panel near the driver's seat.

Ferguson's vehicle was towed incident to his arrest for transportation and possession of methamphetamine for sale. Ferguson and Hillemeier were then transported to their residence on C Street where officers conducted a further search pursuant to the signed warrant they'd obtained from a Superior Court Judge. Inside the suspects' residence, officers located numerous drug packaging materials and a digital gram scale consistent with sales of controlled substances. Officers also located drug use paraphernalia, a small quantity of suspected tar heroin, and other items of contraband.

Ferguson was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked and lodged for transportation and possession for sales of methamphetamine. Hillemeier was cited and released for misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia.



CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS SECTION

Major Cases:

During the time frame of this quarterly report, the Criminal Investigations Section either initiated or provided follow up investigations on 71 felony cases, along with follow up on 130 missing person and/or runaway juvenile cases.

CIS also reviewed and investigated about 22 cross reports forwarded by either Adult Protective Services or Child Welfare Service, as well as screening about 27 additional cross reports.

CIS investigated a large number of sexual assaults on both adults and children during this quarter. These investigations have to be handled very delicately and require hours of investigative time, plus the assistance of several different agencies.

The following is a summary of some of the larger cases handled:

Case Number 3C10-236:

On 1-8-10, a deceased 56 year old male was found inside his home at the 1600 block of County Lane. Upon investigation it was determined that the male was a murder victim. This case is still under investigation and the manner of death will not be revealed.



Case Number 3C10-246:

On 1-8-2010, Officers were dispatched to the 200 block of Humboldt Street to a reported shots fired call. It was reported to the Eureka Police Dispatch center that three (3) shots had been heard, followed by a large amount of yelling.

Upon arrival Officers located a single male subject down in the roadway and several subjects physically fighting. The down subject was unresponsive and bleeding. A Eureka Police Officer administered life saving efforts, until medical personnel arrived. However, the subject succumbed to his wounds and was pronounced dead at the scene.

The scene was quickly secured, with the assistance of Deputies of the Humboldt County Sheriff's Department, and several subjects were detained and interviewed. Eureka Police Detectives and forensic processing personnel soon responded to the scene to investigate. Due to the large crime scene and vast amount of interviews to be conducted, a mutual aid request was made to the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office and their personnel

assisted in the investigation.

Through the investigation it was determined that an argument took place between the deceased and a male subject at a nearby apartment. The argument became heated and shots were fired. The victim was struck while attempting to flee the scene. The suspect and a female companion fled the scene.

The suspect was identified as Tellest Antwion Keyes (28 years old of Eureka). The female companion was identified as Jessica Diane Montel (21 years old of Eureka).

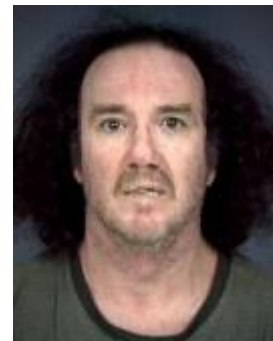
On 1-12-2009, Detectives tracked Keyes and Montel to a Greyhound bus headed out of state. It was learned that the bus would be making a stop in Los Angeles, Ca. A mutual aid request was made of LAPD in attempts to apprehend Keyes and Montel. At about 2:15 pm, Keyes was taken into custody by LAPD. Montel was also located, along with her infant child. Montel was detained and then released, pending complaint review by the Humboldt County District Attorney's office, concerning her involvement in this crime. The second child has been located and is in the care of relatives.



Case Number 3C10-1215:

On 2-10-2010, emergency medical personnel responded to a residence at the 700 block of "O" Street for an unresponsive female. The female was transported to St Joseph Hospital with injuries consistent with being beaten. She was soon determined to have a major brain injury and was rushed to emergency brain surgery.

Officers and Detectives responded to the hospital to document and collect what evidence of the assault that they could. The surgery was successful; however the victim had lapsed into a coma.



Detectives spent the next several days conducting interviews, in attempts to develop a suspect in this case and better understand what took place prior to and during the assault.

On about 2-15-2010, the victim regained consciousness, however was not in a state that she could assist Detectives in the investigation. On 2-22-2010, the victim had made enough progress in her recovery that she could articulate the events of the assault. She was also able to identify a suspect. On 2-23-2010, the suspect, identified as Dale Andrew Welsh (53 years of age of Eureka), was located and taken into custody on a charge of felony assault causing great bodily injury.

Case Number 3C10-1315:

On 2-14-2010, the Eureka Police Department responded to the report of a man who appeared to be burned to death in a camp site at the foot of West Del Norte Street in Eureka. The body was discovered by a man out for his morning walk.

Detectives and an Assistance Evidence Technician responded to the scene to take over the investigation. It was immediately apparent the man had been in a tent when the fire started as the tent and items in the tent were burned. Investigators located a kerosene lamp inside the tent that was believed to be the source of the fire. The Humboldt County Coroner's Office responded to take possession of the body. At this time we are withholding the believed identity of the victim until the Coroner's Office can confirm his identity and notify his next-of-kin. The cause of death, although unknown at this time, is believed to be associated with the fire. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.





Case Number 3C10-1606:

On 2-24-10, a male adult was found deceased in his home at the 1100 block of California Street. The cause of death was a gunshot wound to the head. Due to the fact that the deceased's live in girlfriend was on scene when the fatal shot was fired, the case was originally investigated as a homicide. The facts of the case later revealed the manner of death to be suicide.

Case Number 3C10-2100:

On 3-13-2010, officers were dispatched to a shots heard call at the 600 block of Burrill Street. Several callers reported that there had been shots fired at this location and that the windows of a residence at this location had been shot out. Vehicles were also reported as fleeing the scene.

Upon officer's arrival, several subjects were standing in front of this location. As the Officers pulled up one subject fled from the scene. Officers detained three uncooperative and intoxicated subjects.

After detaining the subjects, the officers conducted a search of the interior of the residence for injured subjects. While clearing the inside of the residence, they located a loaded illegal assault rifle on the couch in the downstairs area of the unit. The rifle was secured for transient evidence protection. The unit was found to be unoccupied, and the officers then exited the unit. The unit was then secured awaiting the issuance of a search warrant.

While this was taking place an Asian Male Adult was dropped off in the parking lot of the St Joseph ER. This subject had a fresh shotgun wound to his left shoulder. The gunshot victim was uncooperative and refused to state what happened to him. He signed a "no further action" form and remained with the hospital staff for treatment of his wounds. His clothing and a cell phone were collected as evidence, since we did not know if he was possibly a suspect in some sort of assault or merely a victim, due to his lack of cooperation.



Case Number 3C10-2240:

On 3-18-2010 at about 1116 hours, Officers responded to a shots heard call in the vicinity of 200 block of W. Del Norte Street. Several callers reported hearing arguing between a man/woman just prior to the shots. It was also reported that subjects were seen running from the area. An additional RP reported that a vehicle had fled the scene after the shots had been fired. This RP provided a general description and a license plate for the vehicle that fled.

Officers responded to the area and located two subjects in a physical altercation in a carport at the 1900 block of Summer Street. One of the subjects was in possession of a handgun and refused to comply with officers commands. A physical altercation took place between the officers and the suspect and the suspect was shot. He later succumbed to his wounds. The suspect was identified as David Sequoia.

The second subject involved in the altercation was identified as the resident of this location. The resident advised that he confronted Sequoia in his carport, an altercation took place, and the Sequoia pulled a firearm on him. Officers responded moments later.



Case Number 3C10-2391:

On 3-24-10, EPD investigated an incident of death threats against Judge Cissna. The suspect was another county employee. The suspect was arrested by posted bail the same day. The incident is scheduled for trial.

CIS/Evidence Section:

During this quarter, CIS/Evidence processed scenes in the field ranging from a homicide to several residential burglaries. CIS/Evidence also processed numerous vehicles involved in various crimes. Evidence duties accounted for 1/2 to 2/3 of the work of the combined Evidence Tech/Senior Detective position.

As a result of the above mentioned evidence processing, two burglary suspects were identified. These suspects are believed to be responsible for numerous commercial and residential burglaries.

Missing Persons / Runaway Juveniles:

During the time period 01/01/10 to 03/31/10, there have been 130 missing persons/runaway juvenile reports filed with the Eureka Police Department and 13 runaway juveniles were cited for being incorrigible.

Of these 130 reports, there are only 5 persons that have yet to be located.

One missing person case that was handled during the first quarter involved an adult male who left home with his mother's car to do an errand and did not return. This individual had a drug usage history and was known to owe money around town. Information was learned that he may be in the San Francisco area. The San Francisco Police Department was notified and he was located in San Francisco with the vehicle and was arrested nine days after he had been reported missing.

There was an increase of 30 reports in 2010 when compared to the same reporting period of reports taken in 2009.

Equipment:

CIS purchased a new cell phone download/analyzing unit which completely and rapidly prepares a report of the contents of seized cell phones. This piece of equipment will assist in our abilities to obtain necessary evidence from these cell phones.

COMMUNITY RESPONSE/POP DIVISION

Problem-Oriented Policing Unit:

On January 4, 2010, the Eureka Police Department's Problem-Oriented Policing Unit (POP) received an infusion of much needed manpower with the addition of a full-time sergeant and two police officers. In addition to assisting other unit members with addressing significant neighborhood/nuisance problems, this "new" team within the POP Unit has been given the mandate and freedom to focus on the major hotspots, crimes, and criminals plaguing the city. By systematically analyzing these problems, developing long-term, effective strategies to solve them, and then taking aggressive enforcement action, POP has enabled EPD to take a much more proactive and successful approach to combating major street level crimes such as rampant drug sales. The unfortunate fact is that until POP was recently expanded, the low to mid level dealers within Eureka had largely been given a free pass run amuck due to a lack of resources to deal with the problem, and our community clearly suffered for it.

POP spent much of the first part of the year taking care of various necessary administrative and logistical tasks such as procuring equipment (uniforms, vehicles, phones, computers, office furniture and supplies etc.) and moving into our new offices. However, despite these distractions, POP has had a very successful first quarter.

The following are some approximate POP Unit statistics for the period of 1/04/10 - 3/17/10:

- **67 Arrests made**
 - **15 search warrants served (excluding outside agency & CIS assists)**
 - **14 guns seized**
 - **6 1/2+ ounces of methamphetamine seized with an estimated street value of \$7,800 - \$18,525.00 (bulk price vs. sales of individual 1/10 gram baggies)**
 - **1 ounce of heroin seized**
 - **250 marijuana plants seized**
 - **27.5 pounds of processed marijuana seized**
 - **1/2 pound of concentrated cannabis (hash) seized**
 - **\$4,700.00+ cash seized (drug sales proceeds)**
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Many of these arrests were for serious felonies such as weapons violations and possession/transportation of controlled substances for sale. Now that POP has built a strong foundation over the past few months, including an ever-growing confidential informant base, we expect these results to only improve.

Five Neighborhood watch meetings were conducted during the first quarter and assisted the City's Improvement Team (CIT) during inspections of eight problem locations. Search warrants on three indoor grow operations were served and as a result the occupants were evicted by the home owners.

Fifteen vehicles were abated which were not part of the regular abatement program. Seven encampments on city property were also dealt, with the eviction of the persons.

The following are some selected POP cases from the first quarter of 2010:

POP UNIT SERVES SEARCH WARRANT ON SUSPECTED METH. DEALER: OVER 3 OZ. OF METHAMPHETAMINE AND FIREARM SEIZED

On Wednesday, 2/10/10, Officers with the Eureka Police Department's Problem-Oriented Policing (POP) Unit, assisted by EPD Patrol and CHP officers, served a search warrant on a suspected methamphetamine dealer and two of his residences. This was in response to numerous citizen complaints about suspected drug activity occurring in and around an apartment in the 700 block of P Street, Eureka. The suspect, Trevis Lee Perkins (age 26 of Eureka), was reportedly dealing substantial quantities of methamphetamine around the city and he had a past history of being armed with a firearm.

At approximately 7:11 PM, officers on surveillance spotted the suspect's 1995 Ford Crown Victoria driving eastbound on 7th Street. Officers conducted a high risk stop on the vehicle at Myrtle Avenue and 7th Street and detained Perkins and his female driver at gunpoint. During a subsequent search of the vehicle and Perkins' person, officers located and seized \$1,920.00 cash, packaging materials, a digital gram scale, drug smoking paraphernalia, and approximately one (1) ounce of suspected crystal methamphetamine for which he was taken into custody.

Officers then went to a motel located in the 900 block of 4th Street where they searched a room Perkins had rented there. Inside the room, officers located approximately two (2) more ounces of suspected crystal methamphetamine (uncut), illegally possessed prescription medication pills, and drug packaging materials consistent with drug sales.

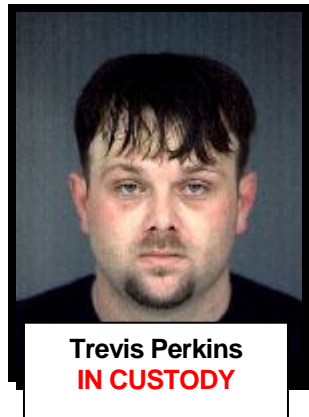
At the same time, a second team of officers searched an apartment associated with Perkins in the 700 block of P Street. Inside the apartment, officers located and detained a resident, Tiffany Frances Brennan (age 25 of Eureka). During a search of the apartment, officers located and seized a 9mm semi-automatic pistol, drug packaging materials, a gram scale, drug (meth.) smoking pipes, illegally possessed prescription medication pills, and approximately 1 ½ grams of suspected crystal methamphetamine.

During a course of this investigation, a total of **over three (3) ounces of suspected crystal methamphetamine** was recovered.

Perkins was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for possession and transportation of methamphetamine for sale, possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, maintaining a place for drug sales, and possession of a controlled substance while armed.

Brennan was arrested and also transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where she was booked for possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and maintaining a place for drug use/sales.





POP ARRESTS EUREKA MAN FOR WARRANTS, RESISTING, AND POSSESSION OF A LOADED HANDGUN AND STOLEN PROPERTY

On Monday, 3/08/10, at about 11:25 AM, Officers with the Eureka Police Department's Problem-Oriented Policing (POP) Unit went to a residence in the 2900 block of Pine Street to arrest a wanted subject, Anthony Valandingham Pratt, 26, of Eureka. Pratt was wanted for 4 no bail misdemeanor warrants alleging violations of 415(2) PC (disturbing the peace), 602 PC (criminal trespass), 148 PC (resisting/obstructing a peace officer), and 273.5 PC (domestic violence with injury). Additionally, Pratt was under active investigation by POP for the alleged sales of methamphetamine in Eureka and he was reportedly in possession of a handgun.

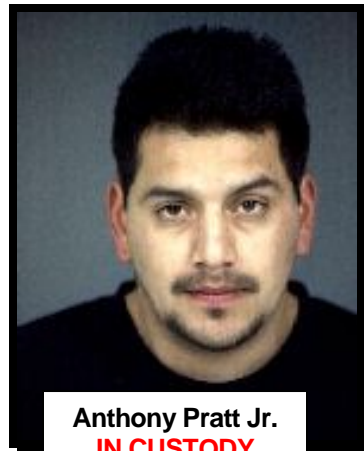
As officers approached the garage where Pratt was known to be living, they spotted him taking the trash out to a receptacle in the adjacent alley. Because Pratt was reportedly armed with a handgun, Officers took him into custody at gunpoint. The door to Pratt's nearby garage-room was wide open, and officers subsequently observed a **Glock 17 9mm semi-automatic handgun** and a portable **police-EMS radio/scanner** lying in plain view on top of a makeshift table inside. The Glock was loaded with 9 full metal jacket (FMJ) rounds in its magazine. The police radio was programmed to scan local police agencies, and it was turned on and set to EPD's main radio channel.

Officers secured the garage and the adjacent, associated apartment pending the procurement of a signed search warrant from a Superior Court Judge. As an officer stood by with Pratt while a caged patrol car was being brought around to the alley, he suddenly bolted in an attempt to escape custody. Pratt ran from the alley to Pine Street where he continued northbound toward West Henderson Street with an officer pursuing him on foot. During the pursuit, he lost his shoes and his pants. The pursuing officer eventually caught up with Pratt on the north side of West Henderson Street and Pine Streets where, with the assistance of a private citizen, a TASER was successfully deployed to stop him.

Once a search warrant was obtained, officers searched Pratt's residence. Officers subsequently located drug paraphernalia (methamphetamine pipe), a digital gram scale, MSM (substance commonly used by drug dealers to "cut" controlled substances such as meth. to increase profit), and two boxes of 9mm ammunition for the Glock handgun. No methamphetamine was located during the search, but the gram scale and cutting agent were consistent with methamphetamine sales activity. Additionally, further investigation revealed the portable radio had been stolen from a local EMT in August 2009 during a vehicle burglary in Eureka.

After Pratt was medically cleared, he was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked on his warrants and for fresh charges including unlawful/felony possession of a firearm (due to a domestic violence conviction), resisting arrest, possession of stolen property, possession of drug paraphernalia, and probation violation.

**Gun & Stolen Radio Seized during
POP Search Warrant**



**Anthony Pratt Jr.
IN CUSTODY**

**POP SERVES SEARCH WARRANTS ON SUMMER STREET RESIDENCE: 8 GUNS
AND OVER 2 OUNCES OF METHAMPHETAMINE SEIZED**

3100 Block of Summer Street

On 3-10-10, at about 7:55 AM, Officers with the Eureka Police Department's Problem-Oriented Policing (POP) Unit, assisted by Patrol, served a search warrant on a residence in the 3100 block of Summer Street. This was in response to information POP developed that Robert Samuel French (52 of Eureka) and Maria Angela Camacho (43 of Eureka) were dealing methamphetamine from the residence.

No one was home at the time the warrant was served. Inside, officers located **over 2 ounces of crystal methamphetamine**, a working police scanner set to EPD's main channel, numerous items of drug paraphernalia (pipes, needles, etc.), and 8 firearms, including 6 rifles, 2 handguns, and ammunition. Officers also located and seized evidence

indicative of drug sales including a large quantity of drug packaging materials, "pay and owe" sheets, and a digital gram scale.

At about 11:30 AM, detectives with the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office notified EPD that they had stopped and detained French in a vehicle at the Blue Lake Casino's gas station. HCSO Detectives searched French and his vehicle pursuant to EPD's search warrant. HCSO subsequently arrested French for possession and transportation of methamphetamine for sales and possession of hypodermic syringes. Additionally, Humboldt County Drug Task Force Agents were called to the scene to seize (for asset forfeiture proceedings) approximately \$1,300.00 cash believed to be proceeds from his drug sales.

Upon his arrival at the Humboldt County Correctional Facility, French was also arrested and booked by POP Officers for 11366.5 H&S (maintaining a place for drug sales), 12021(a)(1) PC (unlawful possession of a firearm by a narcotic addict), 11377(a) H&S (possession of methamphetamine), 11364 H&S (possession of drug paraphernalia), and 4140 B&P (possession of hypodermic syringes).

Camacho currently remains outstanding and a warrant is being requested for her arrest for 11378 H&S (possession of methamphetamine for sale) and 11366.6 H&S (maintaining a place for drug sales).

Due to electrical hazards found there, City of Eureka Building Department and PG&E officials also responded to the residence. For safety reasons, power was cut to the residence and the meter removed. Additionally, a warning/notification letter was sent to the property owner strongly encouraging immediate action to remedy the problems associated with their property.

Maria Camacho
WANTED



Robert French
IN CUSTODY





Meth & Guns Seized on Summer St.



POP TRAFFIC STOP AT 5TH/C STREETS NETS 2 ARRESTS FOR POSSESSION OF HEROIN FOR SALE

On Wednesday, 3/17/10, the POP Unit participated in a Fugitive Task Force Operation (FAST) hosted by the U.S. Marshals Office. At approximately 12:03 PM, POP officers spotted and stopped the unrelated target of an ongoing POP heroin sales investigation, who driving a car in the 500 block of C Street. When they asked the occupants to step out, the officers observed drug paraphernalia and weapons (a billy club bat and large knife) in the car. Lee Anthony Adams (22 of Eureka) and Ezra Keith Williams (25 of Eureka) were detained. During a



**Ezra Williams & 1/2 ounce of tar heroin
IN CUSTODY**



subsequent search of the vehicle and their persons, the officers located approximately 1/2 ounce (12.5 grams) of tar heroin individually packaged for sale in 17 bindles along

with hypodermic syringes, prescription medications, and other items of drug paraphernalia. The driver, Williams, was taken into custody for transportation and possession of heroin for sale and possession of hypodermic syringes (the heroin was found in a pill bottle in his jacket pocket). His passenger, Adams, was taken into custody for possession of drug paraphernalia.

TRAFFIC OVERVIEW

January 1st 2010 ----- March 31st 2010

During this quarter the Eureka Police Department took 219 traffic collision reports. These reports ranged from a Fatal collision to minor property damage collisions. There have been numerous collisions that were handled civilly and no police report was taken. In these cases there was only minor damage, and no one was injured. Of the 219 collision reports this quarter 77 were injury collisions while 142 were property damage only. There were a total of 102 people injured in the 77 collisions. One pedestrian was killed this quarter when he was walking in the roadway on US Highway 101 near Cole Avenue.

<u>Traffic Analysis Summary</u>	<u>This Quarter</u>	<u>Last Quarter</u>
Fatal Collisions	1	1
Injury Collisions	77	52
DUI Collisions	14	11
Bicycle Collisions	9	10
Pedestrian Collisions	15	8



Areas of Concern

The following locations each have had three collisions this quarter:

Broadway at 15th
Broadway at Wabash
5th at "H"
6th at "H"
6th at "I"

Office of Traffic Safety DUI Grant

The Office of Traffic Safety Grants provides overtime funding for specialized DUI enforcement. This quarter, EPD Officers worked 14 overtime DUI patrols resulting in the arrest of 12 suspected DUI drivers.

Officers also worked two warrant sweeps looking for offenders with DUI warrants. One suspect was taken into custody and booked into jail.

EPD Officers worked one "Court Sting". If a suspect has his or her driving privileges suspended by the Judge while in court, a plain clothes officer will follow that suspect out of court and see if he or she drives away. The Judge will warn the suspect not to drive away from court and would explain the consequences. No one was observed driving after being suspended. 5 miscellaneous citations were written during the court sting.

<u>Total Number of Citations Written</u>	<u>This Quarter</u>	<u>Last Quarter</u>
	879	905
<u>Total DUI Arrests</u>	<u>This Quarter</u>	<u>Last Quarter</u>
	87	89



K9 UNIT

The unit has changed some over the past 6 months, as the unit welcomes Officer Lenny LaFrance and his partner Vex. Both have been training under a new style of K9 handler training, which allows the team to receive their training in four segments. Following each segment, the team comes home and returns to work, so that they can practice each new skill set before adding another. This method is far superior to the traditional method and we will be working toward fostering this style throughout the coming year.



Officer Lenny LaFrance and K9 Partner Vex

Officer Wayne Rabang just completed his basic training with Endy, and the two are now ready for some action! It's really hard to tell which of them is more excited about their job. They are a great addition to our unit and will be doing a number of public appearances in the coming months.

In the coming quarter, these teams will be doing a variety of public appearances and demos. The first is a "Walk to School Day" and two of our teams will be taking part in the festivities – Officer Franco and his partner, Jimi...and Officer Rabang and his partner, Endy. Both teams are great ambassadors for the department and for young children. If you or your organization would like to schedule an appearance or demonstration by one of our teams, please contact Sgt. Kay Howden at 498-1486 or 497-41



Police and Fire Communications Center

The first quarter of 2010 has kept the Eureka Police and Fire Communications Center full of activity. We've experienced a significant earthquake, a tsunami advisory and many felonious and critical situations that put citizens, firefighters and police officers in harm's way. The Communications Center prides itself on maintaining a high level of training for all dispatchers to assist them when handling these types of emergencies.

The Communications Center welcomes two new dispatch trainees, Karina Gianola and Amy Christian. These dispatchers will go through an extensive 26 week training program where they will learn a vast amount of knowledge along with the importance of their role as a member of the public safety community. They will learn how to provide vital support and functions while working toward the larger goals and objectives of our agency, which includes providing efficient public safety services to the citizens of Eureka.

Due to ongoing staffing shortage, the dispatchers of the Communications Center found themselves covering 405 hours of preplanned overtime this quarter. The majority of this overtime was for the vacant positions that were created by staffing shortages. This overtime must be filled due to minimum staffing requirements, state requirements and to continue providing a high level of accurate and timely service to the citizens of Eureka. This caused some dispatchers to work 16 hour days or 12 hour days five and six days a week.

Personnel Announcements:

Traci Gouthier was promoted to Senior Dispatcher on January 1st.

Karina Gianola was welcomed as a new dispatcher on January 3rd.

Amy Christian was welcomed as a new dispatcher on January 6th.

Training:

Amanda Nichols, Jenifer Braud, Michelle Reyna-Sanchez and Traci Gouthier attended a 1.5 hour "CodeRED System Training" course on January 27th.

Bethany Archer attended a 24 hour "Emergency Medical Dispatch" course on February 24th.

Michelle Reyna-Sanchez and Traci Gouthier attended a 6 hour "Performance Management: Evaluation, Documentation and Discipline" course on March 19th.

Jenifer Braud attended a 4 hour CPR update on March 30th.

Most Notable Day:

Saturday January 9th, 2010 at 1627 a 6.5 magnitude earthquake struck about 33 miles southwest of Eureka creating an unimaginable influx of emergency and non emergency calls to the Communications Center. At the time of the earthquake, the Communications Center which was staffed with two dispatchers and a trainee went from receiving 28 phone calls the previous hour to 109 phone calls within the first half hour. Two off duty dispatchers were able to safely return to the Communications Center to assist with the multitude of calls and notifications. By 1900, the Communications Center was staffed with six dispatchers and one Eureka Fire Captain.

Below is a synopsis of the calls for service the Communications Center handled on January 9th prior to, during, and after the earthquake.

911 cell phone-	144	
911 residences-	52	
911 businesses-	18	
911 hang ups-	10	
911 payphones-	7	
Total 911 calls-	231	
		Incoming business lines- 543
		<u>Outgoing business lines- 333</u>
		Total business line calls- 876

Dispatched calls for service - 399
Self Initiated calls for service – 195
Total calls for service - 594

Total Calls: January 2010 February 2010 March 2010

911:	1,858	1,602	1,802
Admin calls:	10,385	8,511	10,543
Calls Dispatched:	7,620	6,533	7,248



RECORDS SECTION

DUI BILLINGS:

Government Code Sections 53150 through 53158 allow agencies to charge \$350.00 to the person arrested for a DUI (Driving under the influence): The Records Section, this quarter, has billed out 14. Of those 14: 3 paid, 2 were forwarded to collections, and 9 are currently unpaid. This new program is to enhance revenues allowed under the Government Code Sections listed above.

LIVE SCANS:

Live scans are an inkless fingerprinting procedure that is offered to applicants for various reasons; i.e.: massage permits, employment applications, nursing certifications, taxi cab permits, card room permits, and daycare licenses. Each applicant takes 10 to 30 minutes to print, depending on the person's quality of finger prints. The department collects a \$25.00 fee but other fees are collected for the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) and California Department of Justice (DOJ). The Records Section processed 303 live scans during this quarter. The Department offers Live Scan Fingerprinting Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursdays from 8AM-12N and 1PM-4PM. The process will take, on an average, 3 days for a return of criminal history.

INK PRINTS:

During the process of ink prints the person's fingerprints are rolled from a piece of glass using black fingerprint ink. The employee completing the fingerprinting task wears gloves to not get their own prints on the card and not get black during the process. The cleanup is easy. We have the applicant use a solution called Gojo, we provide, and wipe off with towels before using soap and water. Each applicant can request from one to two cards for a \$25.00 fee. If more cards are required, the fee increases to \$12.50 for each additional card. It is a longer process then a Live Scan taking anywhere from 15-30 minutes, again depending on persons quality of finger prints. The amount of cards required also determines the element of time for the process. Those requesting ink prints routinely need them for employment purposes where the business has not contacted the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) or Department of Justice (DOJ) to acquire an actual account to be assigned a billing number. After ink printed the applicant takes the inked print cards with them. . This quarter the Records Section printed 38 people.

In either the Live Scan or ink prints the applicant must provide proof of identification: i.e.: California Drivers License or passport. Other state identification is not always accepted

UPDATE ON SUSTAIN and STAR! Again, Sustain is an updated Superior Court of California County of Humboldt System that will help find dispositions of cases quickly and efficiently before return of property is released, reports are released, etc. Yes, we always researched the cases prior to release but Sustain will make it quicker and easier!

Currently we are researching more because of license fee costs and the possibility of implementing DA (District Attorney) STAR through a web portal (we would be able to have access online). In doing so, we would use our budget more effectively and get our work completed efficiently.



Records Staff: from left to right: Alisa, Dustyn, Christina, Dee, Diane, Ashley, Marlyse, Lieutenant Leonard Johnson, and Erin McBride *Photo by: Ron Aubuchon.*

PROPERTY SECTION

Our Property Section is in need of space as observed in the four pictures. Note: guns shown in the picture are ready for destruction. If stored they are boxed separately. The Property Section is diligently working on purging old cases; drugs and property, in order to find more space when time allows as their current tasks do not leave much allowable time.





FACT: In any given week one property technician will do the following:

Process 46 incoming cases.
Purge evidence of 40 cases.
Prepare Humboldt County District Attorney requests for copies of evidence
Submit materials to California State Department of Justice
Send email digital media 23 times
Release evidence for court
Pull and re-file reports 60 times
Research dispositions on reports over 75 times
Send and receive over 25 emails

Eureka Police Department has two full-time Property employees. One employee focuses on Humboldt County Drug Task Force cases. The above mentioned computations are for Eureka Police Department cases only.

The work completed by the Department's Property Section MUST be efficient. There is no room for error. As their supervisor I would like to express my pride and confidence in their excellent work product and their work ethic in their tasks to keep our City safe. The tasks they perform are not recognized and known to the public because they are behind the scenes. The importance of their work is in support of the sworn and non-sworn and not overlooked. Thank you for your dedication.



Commendations:

- For Police Officer Pam Wilcox from Senior Communications Dispatcher Amanda Nichols for noticing that dispatchers were inundated with calls after the New Year's Eve fire and water outage. She began taking calls to assist the dispatchers and took nearly 100 calls from citizens, informed them of the reason for the loss of water and referred regular calls for service to the on-duty dispatchers. She exhibited considerable teamwork as she assisted the Com Center for nearly two hours. She went the extra mile, even in the unfamiliar territory of the Com Center.
- For Dispatcher Brittany Wilson from Senior Communications Dispatcher Amanda Nichols to express the calm, professional and very patient demeanor during a Medical Aid emergency call from a care provider asking for help when she found her client unresponsive. Brittany provided step by step instruction to the care provider who was scared and untrained to perform medical aid and CPR. Brittany was able to provide instruction and reassurance to the caretaker. This call will serve as a great training aid in the future.
- To Police Chief Garr Nielsen from Christopher Murphy, Director, Office of Traffic Safety's grant program. To thank him for allowing our agency to participate in the grant program making the streets and highways safer for the people in our Community by way of the "DUI Enforcement and Awareness Program. Also mentioned were commendations for Senior Traffic Officer Gary Whitmer and Finance Accountant II Gary Chapman for the excellent job they performed in administering the grant.
- For Police Officer Adam Laird from Yvonne and Tom O'Neill to him for his professionalism, courtesy and kindness during a significant incident for them.
- For Police Officer Josh Siipola from POP Sgt. Steve Watson, to commend him on the excellent work he did in working a 3 month case on a suspected meth dealer and creating his case through surveillance and working closely with neighbors and officials. The result was two felony arrests. His information was spot on and his is to be commended for his diligent, successful work on the case.
- For Officer Pam Wilcox from Acting Communications Supervisor Michelle Reyna Sanchez to commend her for stepping into the Communications Center the night of the fire and water outage. She not only recognized assistance was needed in the inundated Com Center that night, but her ability to act upon this and put herself in a position she had never before been in and produced success.
- For Officer Cory Crnich and Dispatch from Dawn Watkins, Crisis Services Director, Humboldt Domestic Violence Services for Dispatch leading the on-call DV worker turn by turn instructions enabling her to find the house where her services were needed enabling the worker to assist in getting a TRO completed. Officer Crnich was very respectful, helpful and the victim was happy to have had his assistance.
- For Officer Travis Braud from Sgt Jim Armstrong to commend him for a subsequent investigation during a traffic stop on an adult male. His investigation revealed the

driver to be in possession of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia. Skillfully extracting information from the suspect, Officer Braud was provided information regarding a burglary to an Arcata business. The suspects had supposedly hidden the items in the bushes and planned to return that night to retrieve the items. Officer Braud informed Arcata Police who subsequently found \$6000 worth of property from the burglary in the bushes. This was an example of good, old fashioned police work.

- For Sgts Mike Quigley and Rodrigo Reyna-Sanchez and Officer John Gordon, from David Sharp who commended the officers who removed two transients who were drinking alcohol the steps outside the banks entrance. They handled the situation professionally and without incident. They even removed the empty bottle, trash and blanket the transients left behind.
- To Sgt Rodrigo Reyna-Sanchez and Officers John Gordon and Louis Altic from a citizen who wanted to apologize for the nasty and rude things she said while she was recently intoxicated.
- To Officers Chandler Baird, Bill Dennison and Justin Winkle and Dispatcher Brittany Wilson and Senior Dispatcher Amanda Nichols from Officer Bryon Franco who commends these individuals for the exemplary conduct and professionalism displayed during a traffic stop and subsequent pursuit. Officer Baird attempted to stop a pickup at 4th and L Streets for a lighting violation. The vehicle continued driving for several blocks, finally yielding at the 500 block of Broadway. Officers Dennison and Winkle responded as back up. The driver was uncooperative with the officers, would not exit the vehicle and attempted to drive away. Officer Winkle attempted to stop him and the vehicle left the scene with Officer Winkle still attached to the driver's side window/door. The vehicle was traveling at about 30 mph when Winkle fell from it onto the roadway. Despite receiving injuries to his arms and legs, Winkle was quick to recover and rejoined the units in the initial stages of the pursuit. The pursuit was handled in a cool, calm and collected manner. The suspect drove to his home where he chose to physically fight with the officers. He was taken into custody. HCSO deputies responded to assist. Dispatchers Wilson and Nichols were outstanding in their coordination of the radio traffic and notifications of allied agencies.
- To Chief Garr Nielsen from a citizen who lives in Ferndale, works in Eureka to recognize the positive contribution the POP team seems to be making for the safety and security of Eureka.
- To Detective Sergeant Patrick O'Neill from Mrs. Ruth Graham to thank him and other officers for the service they have provided her while in Eureka.
- For POP Sergeant Steve Watson from HC Supervisor Jimmy Smith to offer sincere thanks for the great work the POP team is doing with its drug interdiction efforts.
- For Eureka Police Department from Catherine Barnes who requested drive by /officer presence in the area around 3rd and M Streets to roust the new* prostitutes. They arrived immediately and moved the professionals on. *She commented the old prostitutes mind their manners more.
- For Detective Terry Liles from Detective Sergeant Patrick O'Neill regarding the outstanding investigative work regarding the 2006 stabbing death of a young man in Old Town. After countless man hours into the investigation and interviews with over 40 people, the leads dried up and there were no new avenues to investigate. Late in 2009 Detective Liles received information regarding a possible lead in the case.

Detective Liles met with an informant and was quickly able to identify a suspect. Weeks of investigation followed and enough evidence was obtained to make an arrest for the murder. It took a great deal of investigative time and “thinking outside the box” but Liles obtained some crucial evidence to bring closure to the nearly 4 year old homicide. He is to be commended for this efforts and dedication to duty regarding this investigation.

- For Detective Mike Guy from Detective Sergeant Patrick O'Neill. Detective Guy was assigned a homicide case only weeks after being assigned to the Criminal Investigations Section. He quickly began taking initial statements. The investigation took several weeks, involved numerous interviews and re-interviews, travel to several jurisdictions for follow-up, and mutual investigation with both Oregon Law Enforcement and the LAPD. The suspect was soon taken into custody. Detective Guy has been complimented for completeness and professionalism of his investigation by the HCDA's office.
- To POP Sergeant Steve Watson from DDA Ben McLaughlin to thank him for his work on a particular case and his willingness to be flexible and accommodate the erratic trial schedule.
- For Sergeant Rodrigo Reyna Sanchez and Officer Patrick Bishop from a citizen, a show of support for saving a life in Eureka and expression of sorrow for the officers having to resort to the actions they were forced to take. What they do for the City of Eureka and all of those who live and work locally, they are very much appreciated.



BRAGGING RIGHTS

An open commendation letter from Chief Garr Nielsen for the many sworn and professional staff who were present after the January 9 earthquake:

Communications Dispatchers: Bethany Archer, Amy Christian, and Brittany Wilson; Senior Communications Dispatchers Traci Gouthier and Amanda Nichols; Acting Communications Supervisor Michelle Reyna-Sanchez; Police Records Specialists DeeAnn McGraw and Ashley Ipock.

Held over from 'A' watch: Sgt. Rodrigo Reyna-Sanchez, Ofcr Drake Goodale, Ofcr Patrick Bishop, Ofcr Brian Stephens and Ofcr Adam Laird; Police Services Officer Linda Schwend

'C' watch – Already on duty: Sgt. Mike Quigley (I believe he stayed over), Ofcr Pam Wilcox, Ofcr Peter Cress (stayed over – preplanned), Ofcr John Gordon, Ofcr Jon Omey

Came in early for 'E' watch: Ofcr Kert Rulofson, Ofcr Wayne Rabang

'E' watch – regular hours: Ofcr Jon Luken

Immediately came in to help while off duty: Lt. Tony Zanotti, Sgt. Patrick O'Neill, Reserve Officer Mike Stephen

The following members of the Eureka Volunteer Program: Pete Vallerga, Gary Swanson, Jim Nichols, Gil Long, and Terry Long.

The events of last Saturday night served to reaffirm my conviction that our communications center is unrivaled in their ability to manage any event with which they may be presented. I cannot imagine a more challenging set of circumstances for a dispatch center. The volume of calls was extraordinary, because when catastrophes occur, the first call is to 911. These professionals take chaos and manage it, triage it, and coordinate response. They are the lifeline, the first responders, and ultimately they make the system work for us in the field. When I brought Councilman Glass up for a look he was speechless. He could not conceive that what looked like mayhem was actually an orderly dissemination of resources.

We were fortunate to have Ashley and Dee come in to help with some of the overflow calls which was a godsend. And the officers who came in or were on duty were exemplary in ensuring that safety and order were maintained. It was very difficult for some of us to leave our homes and families to respond, but that is what we do in our roles.

As always the members of the Eureka Volunteer Patrol were here immediately and undertook some of the most distasteful tasks, but were indispensable in the work they did. I cannot adequately express my deep appreciation for the work they continually do for the community without compensation. There is no more dedicated group of persons associated with this organization, yet we too often take them for granted. I hope that the members of EVP will recognize how very important they are to the success of this organization. There aren't too many people in this community who would so willingly give of their time to stand out in the cold and rain for hours on end for no compensation other than a commitment to the betterment of the community.

Unfortunately I don't have words to adequately express the pride I have in the people of this organization, your dedication, selflessness, and commitment to the community. Of course I see it every day throughout the agency, but it is in these critical times that it becomes so apparent. Public service is a special calling that many outside our world will never fully appreciate, but there is no more honorable profession nor greater degree of satisfaction than to know that in some small way each of you makes a positive difference to the benefit of the community every day. That you are willing to sacrifice, step in harm's way, and place service above all else provides the lifeline and security to the residents of our community in the most critical and traumatic moments of their lives is a constant source of inspiration to me.

Garr Nielsen



Dispatcher Karina Gianola



Dispatcher Amy Christian



PSO Jocelyn Haske



PSO Lyn Williams



Police Officer Mike Stelzig

NEW HIRES, PROMOTIONS, SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS

Dispatcher Karina Gianola

Dispatcher Amy Christian

Police Services Officer Jocelyn Haske

Police Services Officer Lyn Williams

Police Officer Mike Stelzig

Dispatcher Traci Gouthier to Senior Communications Dispatcher

Memo

To: David Tyson, City Manager
From: Valerie Warner, Finance Director
Date: March 31, 2010
Re: Finance Department Quarterly Status Report

The following activities and accomplishments took place in the Finance Department during the months of January thru March, 2010.

Dog Park: Finance staff has collected just over \$88 in donations for the Eureka Dog Park over the last 6 weeks. In a poster contest for employees, Todd Wilcox's poster (below) has been the biggest moneymaker, bringing in \$22 in one week.



Sales Tax Revenues: Sales tax totaling \$1,611,893 was received during the quarter ending March 31 2010. This amount represents a 4% cash basis increase compared to the same quarter last year.

Transaction and Use Tax: TUT totaled \$488,813 for the quarter ending March 31, 2010. This revenue continues to outperform our projections.

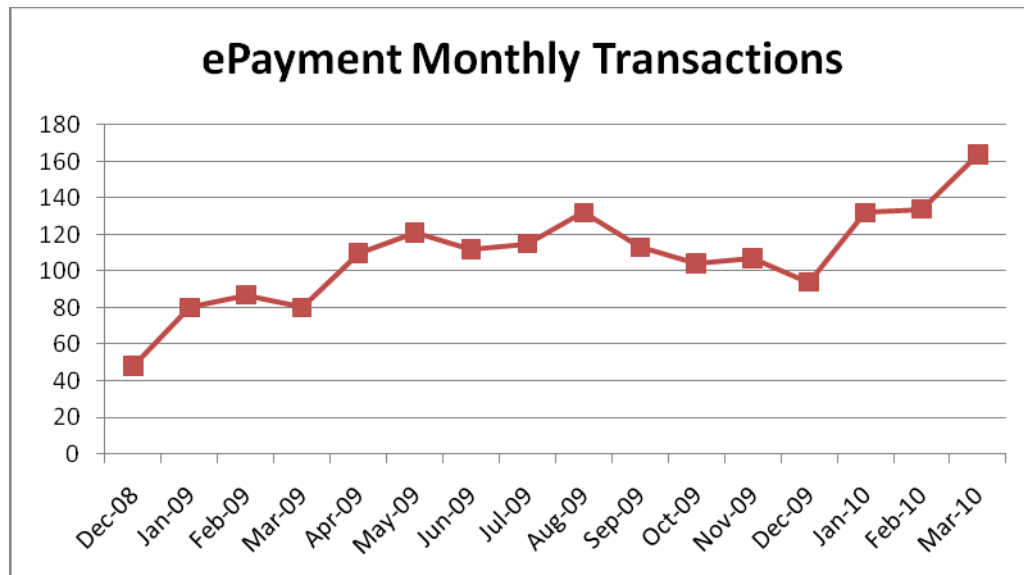
Finance Advisory Committee: FAC meetings were held on February 1, 2010 and March 15, 2010. The FAC has several new members. With the departure of Melinda Walsh and Richard Twiddy, the committee

has added Leo Sears and Jack Rieke. Current FAC projects include Zoo funding, Fire Department funding and the Citywide budget.

City Utility Rates: Council appointed 11 community members to participate in a Utility Task Force. The UTF appointed Ray Miller as chair and Leo Sears as vice-chair. The group met for the first time on February 9th and has held weekly meetings since. At this point, work on the water rates is substantially complete and work on wastewater rates began at the April 5th meeting.

Landlord licensing: The Eureka Municipal code for business licensing has always required certain landlords to obtain a city business license. Until recently, this provision was weakly enforced. In a push that began in early 2010, 91 landlords have obtained new business licenses.

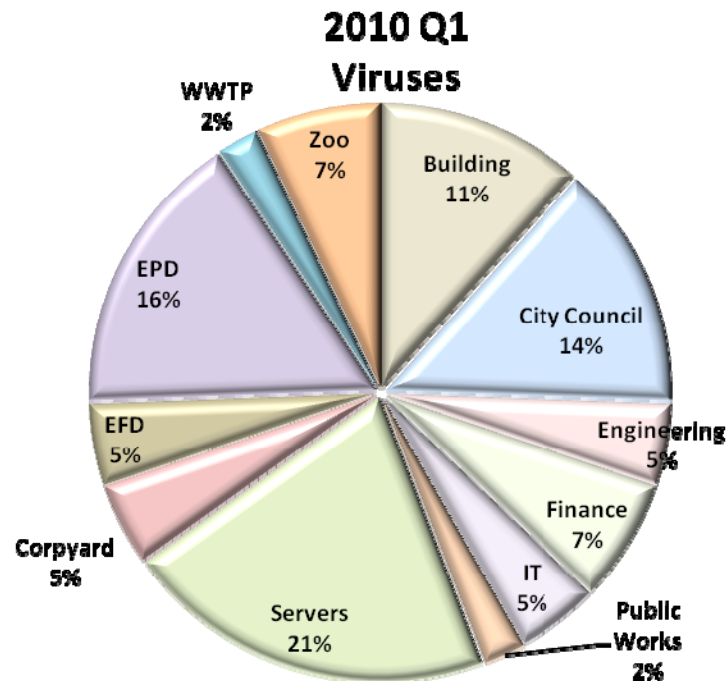
ePay Update: The City went live with the ePay system for utility payments in December 2008. Participation increased from 40 customers per month to 135 customers per month in the first 9 months, but dropped off slightly since August. The 1st quarter of 2010 has brought renewed interest in the online bill payment process as the number of online payments has increased. Staff is currently brainstorming ways to further increase participation in the ePay process as it involves very little staff time to process the payments leaving staff free to accomplish other tasks. Our goal is to increase customer participation to 10% (1,000) of our customer base.



IT Report:

- Implementation of a high speed data link between City Hall and Public Safety was completed. This connection significantly enhanced the overall network performance for the Police and Fire Departments, allowing for greater efficiency.
- IT staff began the Police Department data migration to address data storage constraints. In a joint project between the Police Department and IT, an RFQ was sent out for a new data storage and backup solution. Council approved the award of the contract to the selected vendor in March and this project should be completed in the 2nd or 3rd quarter of 2010.
- The High Tank Surveillance implementation was completed. This was a joint project between the Fire Department, the Engineering Department and Wastewater and met the Homeland Security specifications for monitoring access to the water supply. Additionally this provides a wireless connection between City Hall and the secondary EOC located in the Fire Department Classroom next to the High Tank.
- IT staff attended training from ESRI, Inc on GIS Server implementation. Training was required to enable staff to assist the Engineering Department with implementation of their GIS mapping on the City's website.

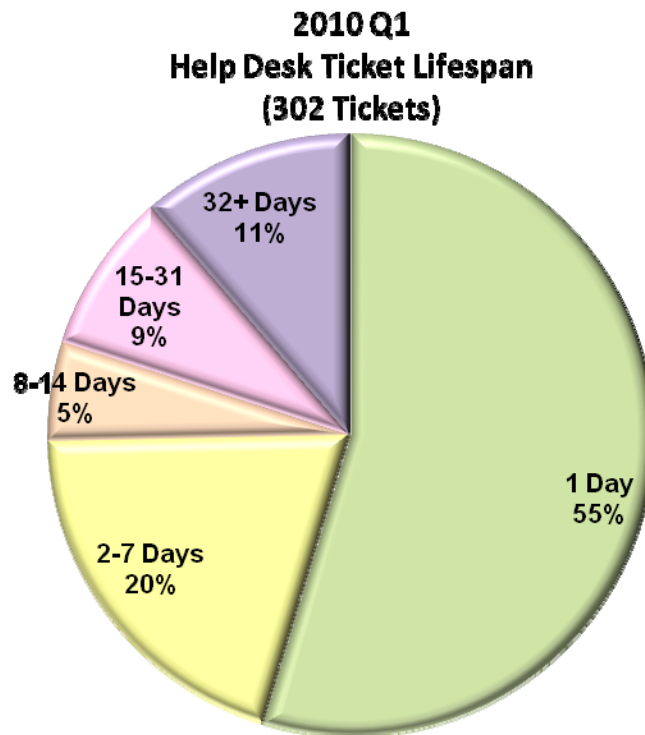
- Implementation of Engineering's GIS server was completed. Because staff had attended the ESRI training, the implementation was accomplished without needing to bring in outside consulting services.
- Implementation of the Police Department's 9-1-1 cell phone mapping server and software was completed. This is a multi-agency integrated solution to provide these services to Eureka, Fortuna and Arcata. IT staff coordinated with Police Department staff to complete this implementation.
- The IT staff utilizes Sophos software to help protect our network against invasion by computer viruses. The following chart from Sophos provides information on where the viruses are attacking.



- The City's website continues to entertain visits from various locations as depicted in the following graph.

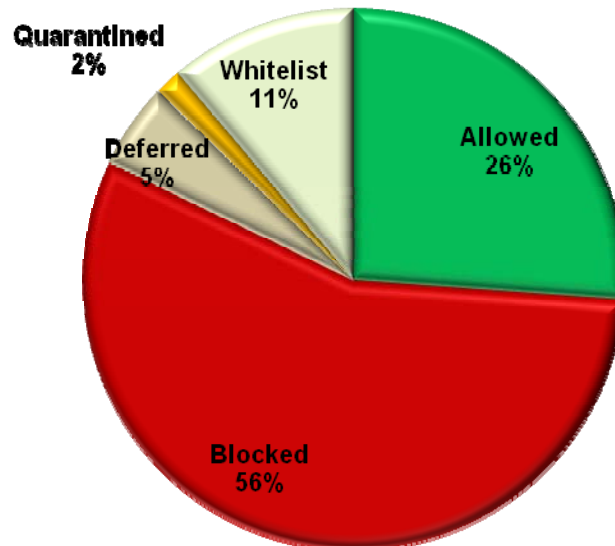


- During the 1st quarter of 2010, the IT staff completed 302 help desk tickets. The following chart provides information about the amount of time required to resolve these requests by IT staff.



- During the 1st quarter of 2010, the Barracuda spam and virus firewall processed the following emails:

2010 Q1
281,727 E-mails Received by Barracuda





Eureka Fire Department 2010 1st Quarter Report

Chief's Report

Chief Eric M. Smith



YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT THE NEW YEAR WILL BRING

With the coming of the New Year, the Eureka Fire Department saw a flurry of activity including the January 9th, 6.5 magnitude earthquake which caused a surprising amount of damage throughout our community. Preliminary damage estimates as of April 29th total close to \$23,600,000. This event was a critical reminder of the geology and seismic activity of our region and the need to be prepared personally and professionally.

To some, earthquakes are considered a common occurrence. This lack of frequency has allowed our community's collective preparedness and mitigation efforts to erode. Shortly after the event, our public safety dispatch center was quickly overloaded with calls for service and information, processing over 700 calls in the period after the earthquake. Fire, Police, and Public Works crews were called into service utilizing both on and off duty personnel to handle the deluge of requests for service. Many of these situations were non-emergent and could have been reduced had our citizens been better prepared.

A recent FEMA Preparedness Study identified that many Americans are less prepared than they think. This study determined that only 57% of Americans felt that they were adequately prepared for a pending disaster. To be adequately prepared, everyone should have at least three days of dedicated emergency supplies including food, water, and medicine stored at home. Additional items would include a Family Safety Plan and an individual "Go-Kit", which would be located in our cars and at work should we be away from home when the disaster strikes. Last but not least, we shouldn't forget our animals, as they are just as likely to become victims of the emergency as we are.

As in most situations, preparation also includes the mitigation of items that are known or prone to cause injury or damage. How many of you have taken the time to earthquake strap your large furniture items to the wall or have installed an earthquake valve on your natural gas line? Both of these are prime examples of simple mitigation efforts that are known to reduce the chance of injury and fire after a seismic event.

Preparedness and mitigation efforts are just as applicable in government. In large natural events, such as the recent earthquake, the tendency is to avoid

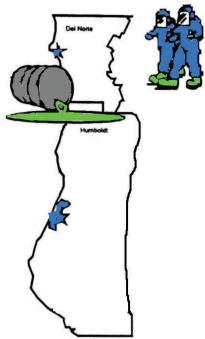
going into disaster management mode and to utilize our normal mode of operations. This response mentality is seriously flawed however, as it leads to under-delivering critical services, underestimating damage initially, and slowing the response of Regional, State, and Federal Assistance. I was extremely proud of my organization and its men and women on the evening of the event and the days following. We decided to initiate disaster management operations and immediately began non-typical fire service actions including the staffing of damage assessment teams. Through this one action alone, the City of Eureka received credit and accolades from both County OES and State Disaster officials as "having our act together."

While such comments are initially rewarding, in my mind, we have a long way to go to re-establish our community and city as regional leaders in disaster preparedness. I would like to challenge all of our citizens to be better prepared. Such an effort is not only simple, information is available through a number of great sources including FEMA and the American Red Cross, it can be a great family activity. Think of it as a scavenger hunt, delegating items to your various family members to develop as part of your "preparedness team". I would be negligent in my duties if I didn't also challenge our city into re-initiating its emergency preparedness efforts as we never know when the next event will strike our community. Remember, we never know what the New Year, (winter storm, truck crash, system failure...) will bring.

Sincerely, Chief Smith



The first quarter of 2010 was filled with budget-related issues and exploration of alternative funding structures by your Administrative Program. During the course of the quarter, much of our time was spent in meetings related to the mid-year budget review and the associated shortfall. Through this process, our staff worked closely with the Finance Department in identifying solutions to the challenges at hand. The most significant development was Council's decision not to implement Fire Response Fees. The council chose instead to investigate the concept of a Fire Benefit Assessment. Such benefit assessments are utilized by most of the other fire departments within our county and are required to go to a vote of the property owners affected. After much discussion and research, the Council elected not to pursue this alternative due to the estimated initial cost of preparation, including the Engineering assessment and public relations efforts.



While the budget dominated much of the first quarter, progress was made in a number of areas including Hazardous Material Response Team reconfiguration and Technical Rescue/Urban Search and Rescue Team development. Captain II Laidlaw and I worked extensively with the Hazardous Materials JPA in an effort to reduce its dependence upon Eureka Fire and its staff, specifically in a responder mode and the overall cost of the city's participation in this endeavor. Historically, the cost to the city of Eureka was close to \$40,000 dollars annually. Through our efforts, we will be able to reduce our participation from 12 members down to 8 members, thus reducing our personnel-related costs by up to one-third from previous years. I would also like to acknowledge the recent accomplishment of Captain II Ed Laidlaw. Captain Laidlaw recently led the Haz-Mat JPA through the Cal-EMA certification process associated with state certification as a "Level B" Hazardous Materials Response Team. Just prior to the development of this report, we received notification from Cal-EMA that the team had obtained this prestigious certification. As such, it not only validates our capabilities of response, it should open the door for additional grant, training, and funding opportunities.



As we move into the next quarter, we will continue to focus on protecting our most valued resources, our personnel and the citizens they protect, from the ravages or potential consequences of the current fiscal climate.



The First Quarter of 2010 was a busy time for the Suppression Division. One of the busiest events of the quarter was the January 9th earthquake. This event was the focus of not only the fire department, but the city and community as a whole. Fire department personnel responded very quickly to the event by moving all apparatus from their respective stations, both to insure that the doors would open, and to have the emergency vehicles outside in the event of an aftershock. Emergency response to incidents began almost immediately following the event, with engines responding to gas leaks, houses that had collapsed, a report of a structure fire, and PFAS alarms. Emergency crews responded to the Bayshore Mall for extensive ceiling collapse and minor injuries of occupants. Eureka Fire Department was assisted by our auto-aid partner, Humboldt Fire District #1 as we handled more than 75 reported incidents in the 24 hours following the event. The City had activated the Emergency Operations Center at Fire Department HQ in response to the earthquake, but due to damage to the building, the EOC was moved later that night, with the EOC being

operated from City Hall for the remainder of the event. No fire department personnel were housed at the fire station that night due to a "yellow tag" declaration of building damage from the Building Department. It was eerie to be in the building with no fire engines or personnel there. Crews stayed at the Wharfinger Building until Fire Department HQ was declared structurally safe the morning of January 10th. Crews remained involved over the next day obtaining damage survey information, and fire department personnel worked in the documentation portion of the EOC to help catalog damage and organize inspection teams. These personnel, in conjunction with staff from redevelopment, were key in development of informational packets for a visit by the Governor on Thursday January 14, 2010.

I would like to commend not only those from the fire department, but from the City and community as a whole as we all worked through the aftermath of this disruptive event. It shows a community spirit and pride that I feel lucky to be a part of.

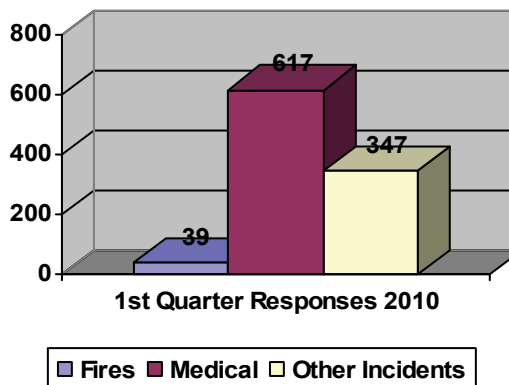
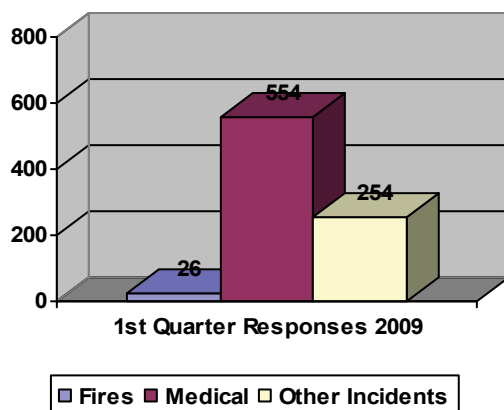
Bill Gillespie

Incident Activity

During the quarter, EFD responded to 39 fires, 15 of which were listed as structures. Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Incidents, including minor and major medical aids, traffic collisions, extrications and rescues, and lift assist calls accounted for 617 incidents. All other calls for service accounted for 347 responses. These figures come from Firehouse data provided for the quarter.

1st Quarter Response Statistics

FY 2009-2010 Comparison



Collateral Duties**Apparatus****Emergency Medical Services (EMS)****Equipment
-Hand Tools****Facilities
-Buildings & Grounds****Hose/Nozzles****Hydrants
-Testing & Data****Infectious Disease Control****Maps/GIS****Monitoring Equipment****Personal Protective Equipment****Power Equipment****Radios/Pagers****Respiratory Protection Program**

- Air Compressor
- SCBA

**Safety
- Fire Department****Target Hazard
- Sprinklered Buildings
- Knox Boxes & Keys****Technical Rescue****Training****Volunteers****Wildland****Radios****Captain Jeff Nicklas and Engineer Kevin Voorhees**

Emergency communications are vital to response personnel for both notification of emergency incidents and for firefighter safety on emergency scenes. NFPA 1561 – Standards on Emergency Service Incidents requires all emergency personnel in areas immediately dangerous to life and health to have radio communication. Eureka Fire Department has in the past been able to provide its personnel with adequate and appropriate radio communication equipment. A new challenge for our department is on the horizon; radio frequency narrow banding. Effective January 1, 2013, the Federal Communications Commission mandates that all users must move to a narrow band radio system under FCC order 04-292. This comes in light of the continued use of radio wave space by more and more customers nationwide. Frequencies are taken up not only by programmable radios, but by cell phones and other wireless uses. In our local area, many of our allied agencies, including CalFire and Arcata Fire, are planning to transition ahead of schedule near the end of 2010 or early 2011 if possible. While wide band and narrow band equipment can communicate on a given channel, communications are degraded. We continue to work with our current upgradable equipment, future anticipated needs, and our radio vendor to make this future transition as seamless as possible.



If you have any questions about radio frequency narrow banding, feel free to shoot Jeff or Kevin a note.

Wildland Update - Fire Shelters**Engineer Ben Miller**

This is an update to last quarter's piece on the New Generation Fire Shelters, and Eureka Fire Department's to comply with federal standards making them mandatory on wildland fire incidents. We have taken delivery of the new compliant shelters and webgear to carry in the units. Through competitive bid, we identified a vendor that could provide both shelters and webgear at a very good price. The shelters, which come in two sizes, and the large model designed to work for people of all heights. Those who have worked in the wildland field will remember the previous fire shelters, and how challenging they could be to deploy because of the compact overall size of the shelter. The new shelters are designed to give the user a larger air space inside, as well as to stand up to more intense heat. The shelter is, of course, a last resort in a dire situation, and does not mean that crews can operate in more dangerous conditions. The new shelters and webgear have been placed on all fire engines, Truck 8181, and in select command vehicles. We still wait with hope of the 2009 Assistance to Firefighters Grant process for an award that will upgrade our wildland protective equipment, but this purchase allocated by the City Council provides appropriate gear to keep our personnel safe and our department compliant.



Fire Captain II Ed Laidlaw prepares for his new role as Fire Prevention Officer



Over the last four months Fire Captain II Ed Laidlaw has received formal and on-the-job training in preparation for his planned transition into the role of Fire Prevention Officer. In January Ed was selected to rotate into the Prevention Officer's position starting July 1st. Since then he has attended four weeks of formal training in Building and Fire Codes, plan review, alarm systems, and fire cause investigation.

Ed has been working closely with our current Prevention Officer, Captain II Chris Emmons. They have worked together on developing Ed's plan review and code interpretation skills. Chris

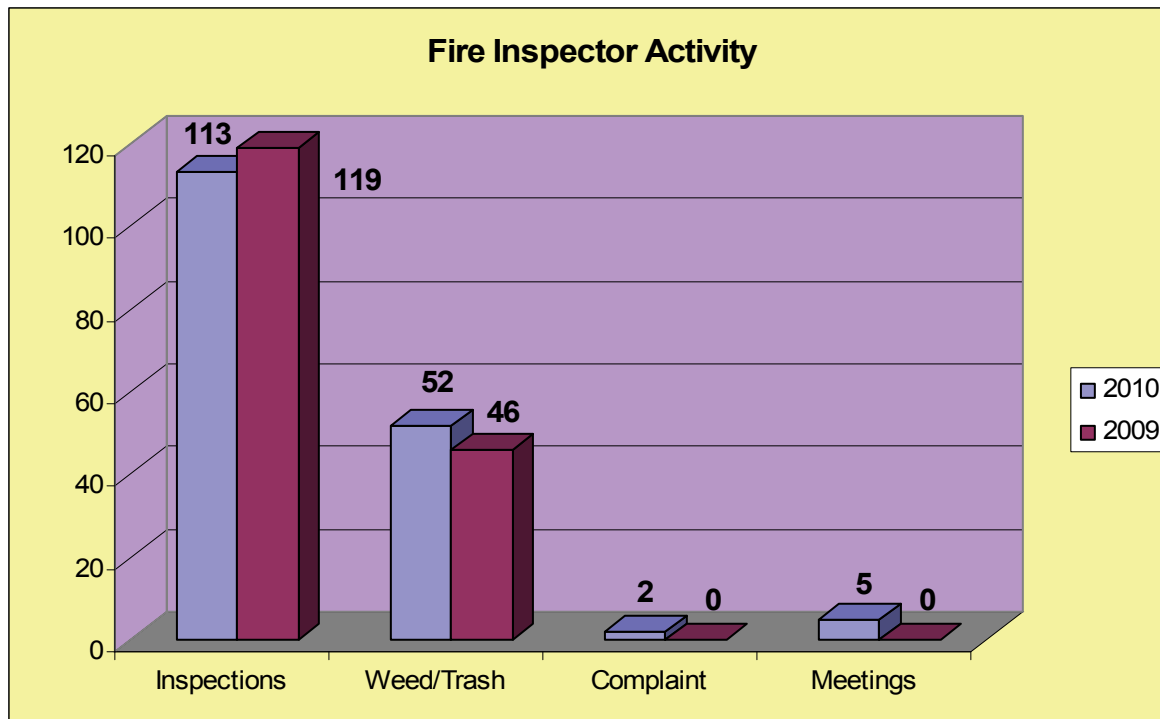
said, "Ed's development exceeds all of my expectations".

July 1st Ed will move into the Prevention Officer role with a strong foundation of code knowledge and plan review experience. This process will result in Ed's coming up to full speed in the office much quicker than others who have gone in with less advanced prevention experience.

This transition process strengthens the depth of our department's prevention knowledge, skills and abilities as Captain 2 Emmons will take his experience with him.

We're looking forward to Ed's transition into the Fire Prevention Bureau in July knowing that he has already demonstrated his enthusiasm and ability in the field. Good job to Ed and Chris!

Rusty Goodlive



Building Owners Commit to Fire Safety

An effort by local building owners reflects a growing understanding of the dangers of fire and the benefits of fire sprinklers. Daniel and Jayne Ollivier have just completed the installation of fire sprinklers in the Historic Old Town Ritz Building. This building contains significant fire and life safety hazards due to its mixed residential and commercial occupancy, combustible construction and large concealed spaces. The installation of this system is a significant investment on the part of the Olliviers for which they should be congratulated.

St. Bernard's Catholic Church has begun fundraising for installing sprinklers in their building. According to a national report, 65% of reported church fires had no smoke alarms and 96% had no sprinkler system.

Two Dorm Rooms; Two Identical Fires



Without Fire Sprinklers



With Fire Sprinklers

The 2011 California Building Code will require fire sprinklers to be installed in new residential buildings. Currently sprinklers are required in residential buildings with three units or more. In 2006, 19% of all reported fires occurred in one- and two-family structures and these fires caused 66% (2,155) of the fire deaths. When both smoke alarms and fire sprinklers are present in a home, the risk of dying in a fire is reduced by 82%, when compared to a residence without either.

New residential sprinkler systems have been installed in the new wing of the Best Western Bayshore Inn and an apartment complex at 3204 T Street. Another apartment complex is in plan review at 3rd / T Streets.

In Eureka we have experienced several fires extinguished by fire sprinkler systems. Fires at Schmidbauer, the Bayshore Mall, Clarion Inn and others were never reported because they were quickly extinguished by sprinklers. We all remember fires in buildings without sprinklers like Carpet Depot, Eureka Meats and the County Garage.

New sprinkler systems as a result of the code changes and building owner awareness will make our community safer. Sprinklers are an investment; an investment in safety, our buildings, our businesses and our community.

Eureka Fire's Bill Walser is On-The-Go Keeping Us Safe



Eureka Fire Department's Fire Inspector, Bill Walser, is a busy man. Bill inspects apartments, licensed facilities and conducts weed and rubbish abatement inspections. He's our point man for answering residential code questions from tenants and landlords on residential code requirements. Plus he's busy following up on inspection issues and maintaining detailed records.

While it would be easy to justify running these programs with federal, state, and local mandates, the real benefit of these inspections is the safety of our citizens and our Fire Department personnel. Unsafe buildings create hazards that start small but are known to grow and become potential disasters. "Stop it now" to prevent a future emergency may be considered a motto of the Fire Prevention Bureau's.

The California Health and Safety Code require Fire Departments to conduct annual inspections of



residential apartments, hotels, motels, and other lodging houses. A prevention inspection starts with checking the working conditions of smoke alarms and fire extinguishers. Added to these important points are the recognition of blocked or lack of proper exits, the unsafe storage of property, flammables, the improper use of electrical extension cords, and more.

Licensed facilities such as day care and residential care homes are also part of Bill's responsibilities. Community Care Licensing requires a Fire and Life safety clearance from us prior to the facility opening and they are inspected annually.

In this last quarter Bill inspected one hundred and nine (109) different apartment buildings totaling five hundred and thirty eight (538) individual units. Six

(6) additional licensed facility inspections were completed.

Our City's weed and rubbish abatement program is intended to reduce fire, health and safety hazards. Complaints may be received from observations by City personnel or citizen and business reported issues.



Overgrown vegetation blocks alleys, prevents clear access to structures, disguises trip and fall hazards, and provides hiding places for undesirable wildlife. Dried overgrown vegetation is a fire waiting to happen. Trash increases fuel loads and is habitat for rodents and insects.

Over the first quarter of this year Bill handled sixty-two (62) Weed and Rubbish abatement actions on fifty-two (52) cases. There were twenty-seven (27) new cases, eighteen (18) follow-up reports, and seventeen (17) cases closed.

We were fortunate to be able to send Bill to Roseville in January for a one-day training on licensed facilities code requirements. Bill came back from the trip upbeat and energized. It was also satisfying to hear that while Bill learned a lot from the class, he also learned that our current inspection practices in these facilities are fundamentally sound.

The goal of our Prevention Bureau is the safety of our citizens, buildings, and community. Bill's efforts have a significant impact on our citizen's safety through weed and rubbish abatement, working smoke alarms, fire extinguishers and more. If you want to talk to Bill leave a message at 4009; he won't be there, he's a busy man.





Personnel Department

PERSONNEL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR THIS QUARTER:

This quarter has been busy with activity around the FY 2010-2011 budget preparation, recruitments for activation of our Eureka Personnel Board and a number of vacant staff positions, managing the City's Annual Personnel Paperwork update (medical forms, waivers, deductibles, 125 deferrals, etc.), staff training, salary schedules, new position classifications, and a wide variety of other tasks intended to provide high quality service to our employees, the organization and the public.

Despite the hiring freeze, recruitment activity within Public Safety and Redevelopment is keeping Personnel busy, and we also have worked to implement a number of reorganizational changes authorized through the mid-year budget approval. We look forward to continuing to work with all departments to streamline and improve our recruitment processes to become as efficient as possible while still adhering to Federal, State and Local mandates regarding hiring practices.

Also, our new Personnel Director Gary M. Bird enjoyed his second full quarter in the Department. He joined us on October 1, 2009, and has been busy getting acquainted with employment law, relevant mandates, and the Department's complex array of policies, procedures, programs, job classifications and MOU's. Personnel continues to operate with a 25% staffing reduction, and Senior Personnel Analyst Becke Perry and Personnel Analyst I Jill Schoonmaker have done an outstanding job of maintaining service levels under difficult circumstances, and we all look forward to continuing the tradition of excellence as the department works to rebuild its institutional knowledge in the coming months and years.

During these difficult economic times, please do not hesitate to call on us if we can help with employment issues, benefits questions, employee assistance programs, etc. Thank you all for your continued patience and support as we strive to continue to provide excellent services with a reduced staffing level.

NEW HIRES THIS QUARTER THROUGHOUT THE CITY

A **BIG** welcome to:

Fire: Temporary Assistant Fire Chief, Jim Yarnall.

Police: Police Services Officers ', Marilyn Williams and Jocelyn Haske. Communications Dispatchers ', Amy Christian and Karina Gianola. Police Officer, Michael Stelzig.

Public Works-Recreation: Annette Baker, Anthony Baker, Annabelle Cannon, Aaron Coyle, Kyle Forrest, Paul Harris, Edwin Henry, Lyndin Landry, Cecelia Torres.

Public Works : Custodian, Jonathan Buckmaster.

Public Works Zoo: Temporary Zookeeper, Janee Thill. Temporary Late Keeper, Robert Ellion.

RESIGNATIONS:

A very fond farewell to: Director of Community Development, Kevin Hamblin, and Maintenance Worker, Robert Corpstein.

All in all, **18** new employees were hired by the City, and **21** employees separated (including regular, temporary and seasonal employees).

2 Regular Full-Time
0 Regular Part-Time
19 Temp Resignations

PERSONNEL ACTION FORMS PROCESSED

A total **133** PA forms were processed during this quarter. Personnel issued **77** Personnel Action Forms & Performance Evaluation Forms to the following Departments:

City Attorney Office: 1
City Clerk Office: 1
City Manager Office: 3
Community Development: 2
Engineering: 3
Finance: 8
Fire: 8
Personnel: 1
Police: 11
Public Works: 37
Redevelopment: 2

Personnel received **38** Regular Full /Part Time, and **95** Temporary Personnel Action Forms from all City departments. **21** Volunteers were processed for Public Works. **24** Parking Permits were issued to employees and visitors. **14** Medical histories were processed for temporary employees and volunteers.

Employment Applications Processed:

A total of **170** applications were logged in and processed for various positions within the city this quarter:

Police: 115
Redevelopment: 55

NEW EMPLOYEE ORIENTATIONS

9 employees participated in the new employee orientation, which involves preparation of files and paperwork related to salaries, benefits and legal documents.

RECRUITMENT AND TESTING

The following is a list of position recruitments completed in January, February and March 2010:

COMMUNICATIONS DISPATCHER (LATERAL) - Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.

COMMUNICATIONS DISPATCHER (ENTRY LEVEL) - Applications were accepted January 29, 2010 - March 5, 2010. Testing was held on March 29, 2010.

POLICE OFFICER (LATERAL) - Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.

POLICE OFFICER (ENTRY LEVEL) - Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.

PROJECT MANAGER (REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY) - Applications were accepted January 29, 2010 - February 12, 2010. Oral examinations are expected.

TRAINING PROVIDED

- **March 19, 2010** - Employee Due Process Rights presented by Liebert Cassidy Whitmore sponsored by REMIF*
- **March 19, 2010** - Performance Management: Evaluation, Documentation and Discipline Rights presented by Liebert Cassidy Whitmore sponsored by REMIF*

* REMIF: Redwood Empire Municipal Insurance Fund, the City's risk management pool.

LIABILITY INSURANCE

Our Liability Insurance Provider, HUB International issued a new manual and certificates which meet the new standard of \$2,000,000 liability coverage for the many events held on City property. Insurance documents and certificates were examined and/or issued to insure appropriate insurance coverage for using City facilities. SIX (6) special events liability insurance certificates were issued by the City of Eureka.

LABOR RELATIONS/EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

The City is in discussions with all of the bargaining groups and the unrepresented group of employees regarding the state-wide fiscal crisis and its impact on local agencies.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Various disciplinary/complaint issues were discussed and addressed, or are in process of being addressed.

NEW WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS

21 work related injuries occurred during this period, resulting in 17 new workers' compensation claims.

CITY OF EUREKA

PUBLIC WORKS 1st Quarter Report JANUARY – MARCH 2010

PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATION

Public Works Administration processed 493 service requests during the first quarter of 2010. They included 187 street related issues, 73 were facility maintenance issues, 131 were water distribution issues, 23 were related to sewer, 17 wastewater treatment issues, 9 were park issues, 5 were storm water issues, 1 harbor issue, and 37 items were addressed by administrative staff (which included encroachments, sidewalk issues and illegal dumping. Approximately 336 service requests were resolved during the quarter.

Research began on identifying viable grants for the Eureka Dog Park. Four granting agencies were contacted for grant application information, which included PETCO, Humboldt Area Foundation, Rotary, and the McLean Foundation.

There was only one Notice of Lien released which was sent to the property owner for proper recordation.

The AZA accreditation questionnaire packet was proofed and assembled for submittal.

PARKS DIVISION

Sequoia Park

The Sequoia Park Garden has been put to bed for winter season. The Dahlia's are dormant and the old spent flower canes have been pruned back and removed. Perennial landscape materials around the garden perimeter have also gone into winter dormancy. Summer annual beds remained fallow all season due to budget constraints.

During the January 9th earthquake, several large Redwood spike-tops broke loose and tumbled to ground. One section of tree fell onto the park road halfway between Windfall Meadow and the Duck Pond. The park was closed for two days for public safety and to allow cleanup. One week later, winter storm winds blew down a large fir tree behind the old fireplace ruins and two smaller trees were brought down during the process. Parks staff cleared fallen debris off the trail and the storm winds actually helped clear the forest canopy of broken limbs and material displaced during the earthquake.

Parks personnel assisted with the earthquake response and initial damage assessment.



The Humboldt Fish Action Council held a volunteer work day at Sequoia Park on Saturday, March 20th to remove invasive non-native plants from the watershed near the Duck Pond. Fifteen volunteers removed nearly 10 cubic yards of English Ivy, Heather, Holly and Cotoneaster that was growing on a sunny hillside overlooking the meadow west of the Duck Pond parking lot. Another volunteer work day is being planned for April 24th as part of the ongoing effort at removing invasive plants within park natural areas.

Park Facilities

Richard Herndon of Boy Scout Troop #59 completed an Eagle Scout Project at Cooper Gulch Park by constructing a five foot wide wooden trail bridge that spans ten feet across a seasonal creek behind the south ball field. The new bridge is an important link within the Disc Golf Course between holes #3 and #4, along the south end of the park. The bridge approach was also upgraded with gravel to stabilize a muddy track area that had developed during rainy season use.



The Eureka Skate Park was closed for two hours on Monday, March 15th to allow the park crew time to remove graffiti and clean up blood stains left over from an altercation that police dealt with the previous weekend. The reason for a temporary closure was explained to young people waiting to use the facility. Hopefully, word will spread not to vandalize the site. Plant material donation by Eric Johnson of Samara Restorations is growing well along the northern boundary of the skate park. The planted area provides a nice transition between the R Street landscaping and the Cooper Creek riparian zone.

Parks staff cut up and removed a storm fallen Redwood near 13th Street at Cooper Gulch and also cut down a leaning willow tree blown over along Cooper Creek. Trash and graffiti removal efforts continue within the creek area and tree related public safety concerns are addressed when wind storm damage occurs. California Fish and Game has requested that vegetation within the riparian zone be allowed to return to an overgrown natural condition. Humboldt Fish Action Council volunteers spent a day planting native trees along Cooper Creek and removing non-native species.

At Carson Park, Water Division staff assisted Parks personnel in tracking down and repairing several water leaks in the vicinity of the recreation building and a new shutoff valve was installed. Park turf grass mowing has started and will continue as often as weather and soil moisture conditions permit.

Landscape Facilities

Park staff completed installation of landscaping plant material within the center island at 5th and Myrtle Avenue to compliment a life-sized Metal Horse sculpture by local artist Linda Wise. The sculpture was created by the artist welding recycled metal tools and implements into an artistic creation. The Metal Horse was installed as part of an ongoing effort to provide art in public spaces.

The park nursery was cleaned up and restocked with 100 new trees purchased with Gas Tax funding authorized for street tree expenditures. New street trees were planted at several locations in Old Town to replace dead or vandalized trees.

In Henderson Center, all the winter holiday banners were removed and replaced with merchant association promotional banners that will remain in place until next fall. U.S. and Coast Guard flags

were laundered to prepare for installation along 2nd, 4th and 5th Streets, and in Henderson Center the week before Flag Day which falls on June 14th.

HARBOR DIVISION

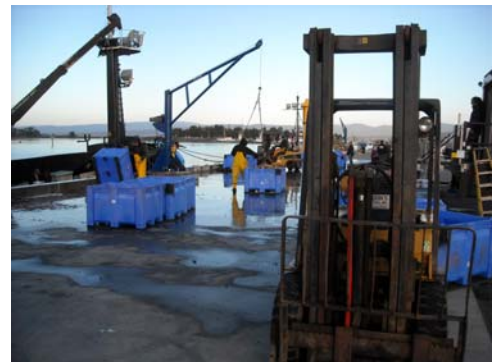
Eureka Public Marina



Throughout the winter months, the amount of moored vessels in the marina remained above average. We have seen a gradual increase in the number of vessels remaining in the water during typical inclement weather months. Staff worked with Facilities' electricians to replace 3 phase breakers at the main pedestals. Harbor staff replaced hose bibs and handles at various locations on the docks. Rub boards were repaired/replaced along the outside of C & D docks. In the Tenants facility, the shower ceilings were painted and several holes were patched in the walls due to vandalism. All docks in the marina were pressure washed.

Fisherman's Terminal

The prosperous crab season brought plenty of activity to the Fisherman's Terminal. Due to the January earthquake, Dock B was closed and the tenants were re-located to the terminal site. Staff worked to relocate and establish a new footprint for Wild Planet Foods and Humboldt Seafood Unloaders, which still allowed public usage of the facility. This transfer allowed opportunity to start working out the kinks and develop policy for use at the future site. Facilities staff ran electrical to the temporary site to run bait freezers, pumps, scales, etc. Maintenance on the hoist motors and brakes was performed and the cables were replaced on the two fish hoists. Staff also began installing rubber bumpers on the vertical bumper pilings to protect vessels from the galvanized U brackets.



Waterfront Facilities

The Boardwalk was pressure washed along with the F Street Dock for the Perilous Plunge event. Staff also weeded potted plants and planted new flowers prior to the event. Banners were repaired and or Tennent Sweeper was routinely used.

At the 255/Samoa graffiti and hauled out The Bonnie Gool Guest repairs were done to a arrival of the tall ship



Tennent Sweeper was routinely

launch ramp, staff removed several large timbers. (1 Car). Dock was pressure washed and shore power pedestal for the "Hawaiian Chieftain."

Wharfinger Building

At the Wharfinger building, the grease traps were pumped out and cleaned, and some drywall repairs made in the Bay Room. Although the economy seems to have taken a toll on the number of events held at the Wharfinger Building, we still had approximately 4,000 guests this quarter. In January, the 13 events in the Bay Room out numbered the 10 events in the Great Room for the first time. A total of 19 events took place at the Wharfinger Building in the month of February, 11 of which were in held in the Great Room. The 28 events held at the Wharfinger Building in the month of March were split equally between the Bay Room and the Great Room. Calls for future bookings have begun to pick up this quarter.

FACILITIES OPERATIONS DIVISION

The first quarter started out shaky as everyone can remember. Facilities, as well as a lot of city employees, worked some long hours the first couple of days. Then with damage assessments and repairs, we were in a get it done mode for the rest of January and into February. Damages ranged from plumbing, ceilings, and traffic signal repairs. Plus, engineers had to be brought in to assess and estimate repairs on city buildings.



EPD had facilities wiring data and phone in their enlarged police annex on Prospect Street. It was a challenge, but we were up to the task.

EFD Station #3 needed and got new floor covering in their berthing area.

With this all going on, we set up and took down the Jazz Festival, it was a success.

Traffic signals kept Facilities busy for another quarter. Facilities repaired some 10 different intersections due collisions or electrical problems.

With this being one of our wet quarters, Facilities had a lot of minor and major roof repairs.

RECREATION DIVISION

Youth Programs

The first quarter of 2010 concluded with a bang for the Recreation Division. The Hoopsters Youth Basketball program enjoyed yet another successful season. The 2010 season consisted of just fewer than 600 participants between the 3rd – 12th grades distributed across 9 divisions with 58 teams. As always, Hoopsters Basketball received wide support within the community in the form of volunteer coaches as well as team sponsorships.

The After School Programs, in partnership with Eureka City Schools, engaged approximately 550



youth daily in fun and safe recreation programming. Qualified Recreation Leaders are employed at five various Eureka City School sites. Regular meetings layered with trainings on various topics such as leadership and communication contributed to well-trained staff, safe and happy youth and overall outstanding After School Programs.

Ryan Center registration continued to remain constant with the program achieving 100% registration, with numerous families registered for the entire year. The City of Eureka continues to celebrate an amazing partnership with the Humboldt County Office of Education Network for a Healthy California, Harvest of the Month Program. Additional partnerships include Changing Tides and Humboldt County Food for People.



Roller Skating on Friday and Saturday evenings at the Eureka Municipal Auditorium continued growing in popularity. Skate maintenance continued to be a top priority with skate safety checks and skate repairs performed on all skates. This popular family program brings in many returning skaters due in large part to the fun family environment and popular incentive program – The Roller Express. The new Birthday Party on Wheels program is definitely catching on with multiple parties booked each month, resulting in a terrific new revenue stream for the Recreation Department.

The F.U.N. Play Center continued to operate Monday and Wednesday mornings at the Adorni Center and has continued to flourish. Many new families have attended while the growth and retention of the participant base has been an overwhelming success, creating a loyal program following. The City of Eureka's partnerships with First 5 Humboldt and Humboldt County Office of Education continues to provide vital resources to program participants in areas including nutrition, inclusion, special needs and general challenges that arise for families with young children.

Participation in youth activities exceeded 64,958 for the quarter.

Adorni Recreation Center

As expected the first quarter of 2010 was very busy at the Adorni Center. The Adorni gym was used on a daily basis for Hoopsters practices and Men's Open Basketball League. Additionally, Women's and Coed Volleyball Leagues utilized the gym twice weekly for league play.

The Adorni Center was a venue for the NAACP's annual "Martin Luther King Celebration." People in attendance enjoyed speakers and choral music. The Adorni Center was one of five venues and also one of the most popular venues for Redwood Coast Music Festival's 2010 installment of the Dixieland Jazz Festival, March 25 – 27. Music lovers were treated to a variety of bands during the three day festival filled with a variety of merchandise and food vendors, dance shows and demonstrations and a rockin' headliner concert.

Adorni Center fitness memberships remain steady with a strong participant base serving a wide demographic. Weight room and fitness classes continue to be popular activities for members.

Participation in Adorni Center activities topped 18,770 during the quarter.

Adult Programs

Special classes and sport leagues were the focus of adult programming during the first quarter of 2010. Classes included: Tai Chi Made EZ, Puppy Manners, Basic Dog Obedience, Zumba, Beginning/Intermediate Volleyball and Scrapbooking remained ongoing. We are actively recruiting instructors for the 2010 Summer Recreation Community Classes.

Men's Open Basketball league consisted of 27 teams with each playing a 12 game season. There are five different divisions in the league. A post season tournament will be offered to qualifying teams at the conclusion of the regular season. The Women's Volleyball league consisted of 12 teams with each team participating in a 12 game season. This 12 team league played its games on Thursday nights at the Adorni Center.

Participation in the adult programs approached 4,754 for the quarter.

Revenues

Recreation Division revenues exceeded \$114,139.83 during the first quarter.

ZOO DIVISION

Attendance

First quarter attendance at the Zoo was about 11,000 visitors, up significantly from last quarter. 41% of visitors were Eureka zip code residents. 95% of visitors were from Humboldt County. Attendance fluctuations in non-summer months reflect that attendance is highly influenced by the weather. 3 rentals in the classroom facility were hosted, serving ~120 people.

Education Programs

An educational tour was offered to Ms. Meredith's GATE class and Ms. Bailey's South Fork High science class. An interpretive tour was also given to the HSU Natural Resources and Interpretation class. No classes were offered during this off-season.

A \$1400 grant by Humboldt Sponsors for summer camp scholarships was awarded.

Outreach

Career development was provided by staff through class presentations to Freshwater School and job shadows by students from Freshwater and Arcata High School.

Projects & Activities

The Education Department completed the *Track, Feel, See* Discovery Cart for the Secrets of the Forest interpretive center as part of the Save the Redwoods League grant. A Zoo Map was developed and installed. Two new species pages for the aviary bird flip book and tiles were completed.

Staff prepared for AZA accreditation by submitting the required application and accompanying documentation in February.

Large backlogs of maintenance needs were accomplished through the help of a skilled community service volunteer, easing some of the workload for Facility Maintenance staff.

A new perimeter fence was added at the back of the zoo to complete the required height standard needed for compliance with state and AZA standards. This project was donated by the Ford family in memory of their son.

Volunteer Support

During this period, YAK (youth assistant keepers) participants accomplished 168 volunteer hours during this period. Our adult volunteer Zoo Crew participants contributed 502 hours this quarter, helping keepers with daily animal care.

One “Spiff Up the Zoo” day was hosted, garnering the labor of 30 volunteers for three hours of work projects such as landscaping and painting.

Animal Collection

Numbers in the collection were stable this quarter, adding a new opossum after the death of our older animal. Our banana slug exhibit experienced some deaths but also a hatching of several young. Rosemary the aging Black bear began a slow recovery after a severe illness.

STORMWATER DIVISION

The Stormwater Division continues to move forward with the six Minimum Control Measures (MCMs) of the Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP) by implementing all the Best Management Practices (BMPs) and activities required by the City’s Stormwater NPDES Permit. The City is in the fourth year of a five year permit. During this quarter, the Stormwater Division has been concentrating on stormwater BMP manuals for an Integrated Pesticide, Herbicide and Fertilizer Management Plan and Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for the City’s operations.

The pollution prevention and good housekeeping MCM of the City’s SWMP requires the City to develop a BMP manual for alternatives to pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers. Over the past few months, staff has been working with consultants to provide information concerning our Parks Department’s operations, maintenance schedule and budget so that less toxic alternatives can be developed. This manual is on schedule to be presented to Council prior to the end of the fiscal year.

The pollution prevention and good housekeeping MCM of the City’s SWMP also requires the City to develop a BMP manual for municipal operations. The manual will provide operating procedures intended to decrease potential contributions to polluted stormwater runoff and enhance water quality. It will also provide the City of Eureka coverage under the Regional Board’s new Low Threat Discharge Permit. The draft Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping BMP Manual is complete and under review by departments within the City that will be implementing the BMPs. It will then be presented to the Regional Board for a 30-day comment period. If all goes well, staff will present the manual to Council for adoption.

The stormwater hotline and webpage have effectively addressed the illicit discharge detection and elimination MCM of our SWMP. During the 2010 calendar year, the Stormwater Division received fifteen complaints via the hotline and webpage. Each complaint has provided the opportunity to educate the public and local businesses about the City of Eureka’s stormwater program. They also help prevent polluted stormwater runoff from entering our waterways.



Transmission fluid pan dumped adjacent to Halverson Park



Transmission dumped adjacent to Halverson Park.

UTILITIES OPERATIONS DIVISION

Laboratory

In February our lab staff submitted both chronic and acute bioassay samples of wastewater effluent to outside laboratories for NPDES permit compliance. The analytical results for these tests were well under our discharge limits. Lab staff has also been preparing for its bi-annual inspection by the State.

The lab has been assisting the operations staff by collecting and having the biosolids analyzed for a variety of constituents to satisfy provisions of the USEPQA Part 503 Biosolids Rule. Lab staff recently attended a local workshop put on by the University of California extension office that discussed options for using local biomass products for energy production. Staff is interested in finding out if our residual biosolids have potential use in emerging technology related to green energy production.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations and Maintenance

Wet weather plant operation was the major focus for the operations staff this past three months. High flows created by leaky sewer pipes help to create special challenges for staff.

Operations and maintenance staff were involved with restoring lift station and wastewater plant functions after the January earthquake. The major problems were related to the prolonged power outage at these facilities. Other earthquake related damage included broken water lines and major settlement around some of the sewer pump stations.

Staff had a chance to conduct power outage training during a scheduled blackout at Elk River conducted by PG&E during the installation of a new transformer.

Both Operators-in-Training were preparing for the April certification exam administered by the State. This preparation included a three day intensive training class held in the Bay area.

Water Treatment staff holding Wastewater certification received refresher training at Elk River on plant operations and record keeping.

Staff completed numerous preventive maintenance, repairs and improvement tasks, including installing a new digester gas line. This gas line is on one of the two digesters and was clogged with scale causing loss of digester gas to atmosphere. This required the purchasing of additional natural gas from PG&E to run operations as this gas supplies one of our co-gen engines. The repair entailed

custom fabrication of materials in addition to extensive preparation due to the potential explosion hazard associated with working around flammable gas. The EFD was on standby at the facility during the repair as an added safety precaution.

Routine operations included processing biosolids for drying and ultimate disposal, grounds keeping, preventive maintenance and numerous small repairs.

Water Treatment Plant Operations and Maintenance

Water treatment staff also responded to the earthquake on January 9. Staff was required to standby due to power outages at water treatment plant and pumping facilities. This, along with water leaks in distribution system, challenged staff to maintain volume and pressure in the water system. This was accomplished by adjusting set points and changing pumping strategy.

Final walkthrough and training on fiber optic security system and variable frequency drives on high service pumps was recently finalized. This was the last of the capital improvement project at the water treatment facility on W Street.

Water Operations Supervisor, Dan Duncan began a Wastewater Operator -in -Training program at Elk River in preparation for certification requirements.

City consultant Arc Sine began site and system evaluations for a SCADA needs assessment project. This included both water and sewer facilities.

A tour of Water Treatment Plant and Elk River Wastewater Treatment Plant was conducted for the citizen's rate committee advisory group.

Staff received the annual water system inspection report from DPH (Department of Public Health). No major deficiencies were noted. They did request staff to provide them with an updated water system schematic.



Earthquake damage at Lundbar Hills Pump Station

Pretreatment

(Permitted Industries)

Twenty-one facility inspections and twenty-eight wastewater samplings were conducted at Eureka businesses. Regular pretreatment facility inspections are performed by the City to monitor and ensure compliance of all permitted businesses.

(Non-Permitted Industries)

The Pretreatment Department also performs inspections of non-permitted industries in order to identify any new industrial dischargers. No inspections were conducted at non-permitted industries.

(Fats, Oil, and Grease (FOG))

The City's FOG program includes grease trap and interceptor inspections, and public education regarding kitchen Best Management Practices. Thirty-five facility inspections were conducted at Eureka businesses.

Compliance Orders were issued to the Chalet House of Omelettes, Round Table Pizza, Surfside Burger Shack, and Mama's Kitchen for various grease removal related equipment issues.

Voluntary compliance was achieved at Oaxaca Grill, The Donut Mill, La Chaparrita, and the Looking Glass House regarding various grease related issues.

EUREKA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

QUARTERLY REPORT 1/1/10 TO 3/31/09

The Eureka Redevelopment Agency is responsible for the implementation of all activities associated with the expenditure of Redevelopment tax increment and bond funds. The primary objective of the Agency is to undertake projects that will revitalize the project areas and improve the economic base of the community by facilitating both redevelopment and economic development activities. In order to leverage and fully maximize the impact of the Redevelopment Agency's limited tax increment monies, the Agency also applies for additional funding from both state and federal sources for housing and economic development activities. This summary does not separate achievements by funding source, but by projects, which are administered by the Agency. The following summary lists the Agency's activities from January 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010 as well as each program's objectives.

REDEVELOPMENT GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (NON-HOUSING)

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

- Assist in the elimination of economic and physical deficiencies, underutilization of property and other blighting factors.
- Focus limited Redevelopment monies by investing in projects that will be self-sufficient, increase tax increment and create new employment opportunities.
- Strengthen and stimulate commercial activity in the area.
- Revitalize the Eureka waterfront and eliminate blighting influences.
- Assist in the elimination of blighting influences to improve and strengthen residential neighborhoods and supporting commercial areas.

PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENTS:

ADMINISTRATION

- ◆ ***Eureka Public Financing Authority 2010 Lease Revenue Bonds (Taxable Series A & Series B)***—A Lease Revenue Bond issue totaling \$9.195 million was completed on January 28, 2010.
- ◆ ***Redevelopment Advisory Board (RAB)***—prepared staff reports and agendas as needed
- ◆ ***Jefferson School Property***—Staff has been meeting with Eureka City Schools and Jefferson School neighbors to explore purchasing and utilizing the vacant structure.
- ◆ ***Redevelopment 5-Year Implementation Plan***—prepared draft Implementation Plan for Redevelopment and Housing Advisory Board review and recommendation to the Agency Board/City Council.
- ◆ ***Humboldt State University Salmon and Marine Science Center***—Met with representatives from HSU to discuss the potential development of a Salmon and Marine Science Center on Humboldt Bay.

PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

◆ *Request for Proposals*

- **Waterfront Commercial Properties**—Staff began preparing a RFP for multiple Agency owned properties on the waterfront.

◆ *Exclusive Right to Negotiate (ERTN)*

- **Old Town Carriage Company**—The Old Town Carriage Company project includes deconstructing the H.H. Buhne Warehouse building and using salvageable components of the building to construct a new building on the corner of Waterfront Drive and “C” Streets. The first floor will be the stable for the horse and carriage business with the second floor providing living quarters for the caretaker.

A new 6 month ERTN was approved December 1, 2009. The project developer is completing a business plan, financing and building and architectural design. Staff met with them on March 16, 2010 to discuss the estimated project costs and purchase price for Agency property. This information was then presented to Council in closed session.

- **Humboldt Bay Center for Sustainable Living (HBCSL), previously referred to as Environmental Technology Hostel**—Development of an Environmental Hostel on the Halvorson waterfront property.

Redevelopment Agency staff most recently met with the Humboldt Bay Center for Sustainable Living (HBCFSL) on March 30, 2010. Following approval of a new 1 year ERTN on December 1, 2009, the group continues to seek funding for the project through a public/private partnership. The group has discussed adding other components to the project to enhance the revenue stream.

- **Tydd Street Housing** —Discussions continue regarding the purchase and development of the Agency owned property adjacent to the Salvation Army parcel for market rate apartments.

◆ *Disposition and Development Agreements (DDA)*

- **Dock B**—Discussions continue regarding the sale of this property for a coastal dependent industrial project. The Agency has an Exclusive Right to Negotiate with David Schneider which was approved on October 6, 2009. Mr. Schneider has applied for a Coastal Development Permit for a cargo storage area.
- **Seventh & Myrtle Ave**—A wetlands buffer has been determined and Staff is preparing a Request for Proposals for the development of the site for housing.

- ◆ **Facade Improvement Program (co-administered with Eureka Main Street)**—prepared and executed Facade Improvement Loan documents and disbursed funds when projects were completed for the following facades:

FAÇADE IMPROVEMENTS – COMPLETED

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| ➤ Humboldt Bay Coffee Company | Total Project Cost: \$19,913 |
| Opera Alley | Agency Participation: \$7,500 |

FAÇADE IMPROVEMENTS – IN PROCESS

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| ➤ Picky, Picky Picky Annex | Total Project Cost: \$65,000 |
| 304 Sixth Street | Agency Participation: \$7,500 |

GRANT ACTIVITY/ADMINISTRATION (INCLUDES HOUSING)

- ◆ ***Humboldt Senior Resource Center (HSRC) New Alzheimer's Day Center***—Construction of a new Alzheimer's Center. Seventeen full-time equivalent jobs are required to be created within 36 months of the final loan disbursement. Staff monitored and continues to monitor the required job creation.
- ◆ ***CDBG Open Grant #09-STBG-6037***—All Special Conditions for the following activities have been approved by the State CDBG Program staff. Funds were released on February 10, 2010.
- ◆ ***North Coast Veterans Resource Center (NCVRC)-Veterans Transitional Housing Facility***—The total project cost of the public facility is estimated to be \$2,579,458. CDBG funding will provide \$876,250 towards the construction of the project, and \$201,000 for building acquisition, with the remainder of the funding coming from other public and private sources including \$254,985 from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, a loan of \$1,000,000 from the State Emergency Housing Department, and \$247,223 from the Federal Home Loan Bank – Affordable Home Program. The center will create 34 new beds for homeless Veterans. An additional \$500,000 of CDBG funding will be granted to assist the Veterans in providing program services. Construction should be completed by Spring of 2011.
- ◆ ***Humboldt Community Access and Resource Center ("HCAR") Facility***—Approximately \$312,000 of CDBG grant funding and local CDBG Program Income will be granted to the Humboldt Community Access and Resource Center ("HCAR") to assist the Center in completing Phase II improvements of the HCAR/Sunrise Plaza Building in Eureka. The facility will house programs that provide services to people with developmental disabilities. Construction should be completed in early 2011.
- ◆ ***Economic Development Administration (EDA), Public Works Assistance, Fisherman's Terminal Building***—Approval of a \$2.4 million ARRA grant was received on September 18, 2009, giving us 120 days to issue our Notice to Proceed for the building construction. A project management conference was held on October 20th to discuss the special conditions that are needed to be met prior to start of construction. The plans and specifications were nearly complete and a pre-bid meeting was held on November 19th. On December 15th, the bid was awarded to Randy Hill Construction. As of the close of the calendar year special conditions were in the process of being met. Mary Rudokas, our project engineer, visited on January 22nd. Staff was able to show her the project site and other projects completed with EDA financial assistance. Special conditions have been met, clearing the way for reimbursement to begin.
- ◆ ***Headwaters Financing for Industry Program, Flake Ice System***—Engineering, purchase and installation of the flake ice system has been completed and the final report prepared. The facility is operational. A new contract has been negotiated with Pacific Choice to include the day-to-day operation of the system.
- ◆ ***Headwaters Financing for Communities Program, Humboldt Telecommunications Planning Grant***—On January 13, 2010, an application was submitted by the City on behalf of the Humboldt Telecommunications Working Group for the purpose of creating a strategic vision document for Humboldt County that can be used for applications to various funding sources such as ARRA and Google. The grant was approved on March 8, 2010, and provides \$75,000 to carry out the project, with a \$45,000 match of in kind staff time.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

- Administer the Business Revolving Loan Program to encourage business start-ups and expansions within the City of Eureka.
- Market and administer the Eureka Enterprise Zone to the business and financial communities.
- Act as a City liaison with the business, financial, and economic development communities.
- Ensure compliance with all federal and state CDBG requirements and procedures.
- Be actively involved in the California Enterprise Zone Association to influence legislative changes to enhance the Zone's benefits to business.
- Maintain open communication with the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency to ensure inclusion in appropriate business location leads.
- Develop relationships with federal and state funding agencies as well as legislative representatives to assist the City in accessing financial and technical assistance.
- Complete Foreign Trade Zone implementation.
- Develop Business Retention and Expansion Visitation Program and conduct regularly scheduled visitations to Eureka companies with 10 or more employees.

PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENTS:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS/PROGRAMS

- ◆ ***Foreign Trade Zone***--City staff received approval of our request to activate the Foreign Trade Zone at the Redwood Marine Terminal in Samoa which is owned by the Harbor District. Marketing of the Zone is ongoing.
- ◆ ***Revolving Business Loan Program***--continue to monitor open loans and market program to lending institutions and potential borrowers. All business loan recipients have completed their job creation requirements. Staff continues to work with businesses seeking funding for their projects.
- ◆ ***Enterprise Zone Program (EZ)***
 - **California Enterprise Zone Board (CAEZ)**—Serve as a Board Member/Secretary. Attend quarterly Board Meetings and actively supported/opposed legislation affecting Enterprise Zone incentives.
 - **Eureka Enterprise Zone Program**—Administer and market the program in compliance with the State rules and regulations.
 - **Employee Hiring Credit Vouchers Issued**—Staff issued 456 Employee Hiring Credit Vouchers to EZ businesses during the first quarter. Businesses located in the EZ continue to learn about the program and the benefits it offers.
 - **Business License Waivers Issued**—41
 - **Business Information Packets Distributed**—29
- ◆ ***Eureka Main Street Program***—As Agency liaison serving on the Main Street Board of Directors and Organization Committee, attended appropriate meetings and ribbon cuttings this quarter. Staff also worked with Main Street regarding the placement of public art and hanging flower baskets for the Gazebo area.

- ◆ ***Upstate California Economic Development Commission—UCEDC***—The mission of UCEDC is to cooperatively market the region (Northern California from Sacramento to the Oregon border) to new and existing businesses in support of the regional effort to diversify the economy, increase employment and enhance the quality of life. Redevelopment staff attends bi-monthly board meetings, and serves as Chief Financial Officer for the group. Current projects include updating our regional website and completing a current marketing piece as well as sending representatives to appropriate trade shows. One site location proposal was prepared during the quarter.
- ◆ ***California Association for Local Economic Development (CALED)***—Executive Committee Board Member. Actively supported/opposed legislation affecting economic development in the State of California.
- ◆ ***California Enterprise Development Authority (CEDA)***—As Board Member, participates in meetings to review and approve capital to California small and medium sized businesses for expansion and job creation through an innovative gap financing program. Financing is a combination of tax-exempt industrial bonds (IDB's) and below market-rate second mortgages resulting in a lower down payment and lower blended interest rates than commercial lenders.
- ◆ ***Art & Culture Commission***—Agency staff has assumed the role of staff to the Art & Culture Commission. This quarter we assisted with identification of items for a National Endowment for the Arts planning grant application for art in public spaces.
- ◆ ***Business Survey& Visits***—Final Business Assessments were received and tabulated. All survey respondents received an e-mail letter and Assessment overview. Several questions were asked of the respondents, which led to the next phase of the project. The second phase has included business visits. The City Manager and Redevelopment staff are meeting with those businesses who have expressed an interest in getting together.
- ◆ ***Workshops & Forums***—Staff presented at the following community workshops and forums—North Coast Employer's Group, MLPA Economic Impact Consultants
- ◆ ***Earthquake Outreach***—In the aftermath of the January earthquake, staff contacted local businesses to see how they were affected, if they needed an inspection and if they were able to re-open. We also worked with Public Works to expedite moving the fish buyers off of the condemned Dock B and to the Fisherman's Work Area.

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- ◆ ***Business Outreach***—Redevelopment staff had meetings this quarter to discuss potential revolving loans, grant applications and potential business locations, as well as enterprise zone benefits for specific businesses.
- ◆ ***Website Update***—Development of the website has continued with Morse Media.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

- ◆ ***Eureka Chamber of Commerce Business & Industry Committee***—staff attends meetings when possible to discuss issues affecting businesses in the region.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- Provide adequate sites and promote the development of new housing to accommodate Eureka's fair share housing allocation for very low, low and moderate-income residents.
- Encourage the maintenance, improvement and rehabilitation of Eureka's existing housing stock and residential neighborhoods.
- Insure the provision of quality housing opportunities for very low-income citizens.
- Assist in the elimination of substandard and deteriorated housing while preserving the neighborhood community.
- Increase, improve and preserve the community's supply of very low or low-income housing.

PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENTS

- ◆ **Seventh Street Villas**—On September 4, 2007, the City Council/Redevelopment Agency authorized the Agency to enter into a Joint Agency Agreement (JAA) with the Humboldt County Office of Education (HCOE), to develop redevelopment owned property between 6th and 7th Street on Myrtle Avenue in Eureka, as an affordable housing condominium complex consisting of a 6 unit annexation to the Sixth Street Villas. The Condo Waiting List was expended and the properties are now listed on the open market. Three of the condominium units are anticipated to be sold by April 30, 2010, to qualified low income households. A 4th unit is to close escrow on May 3, 2010 to a qualified moderate income household. Two condominium units remain to be sold to eligible moderate income households and the Agency is currently processing two moderate income applications.
- ◆ **Greyhound Hotel Project/Jack Freeman:** Jack Freeman, the owner of the "Greyhound Hotel" located at 420 Third Street has requested \$450,000.00 in Agency funding from Low and Moderate Income Housing funds, contingent upon the availability of funds, for the rehabilitation and conversion of the existing single resident occupancy units on the 2nd and 3rd floors of the structure, to 11 single unit apartments. The applicant will also seek private bank financing on his own. There is an existing retail store on the first floor. This project involves relocation, lead based paint mitigation, historic review, and affordability covenants for 25 years. The applicant continues to seek a financial lender's commitment, but due to the economy and much tougher financial lending criteria, he has not finalized funding. He is to provide a construction bid proposal and finalization of application of materials. This project will go before the Housing Advisory Board and City Council for approval, once the completed application has been received.
- ◆ **First Time Homebuyers Program (FTHB)** –The program is being administered by Umpqua Bank who qualifies applicants for their amortized monthly payment first mortgage. The program is only offering the six Seventh Street Villa condominiums for sale this fiscal year, as the balance of homebuyer funds have been reserved to pay the State of California's take of Redevelopment Funds which will be due in May. A lawsuit is currently pending to dismiss the State take. The Agency's Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund provides up to \$100,000.00 in a deferred payment (second lien position) downpayment assistance loan, which provides the gap financing for moderate income households, and up to \$150,000.00 for low income households.
- ◆ **LOCAL Fund/Owner Occupied Rehabilitation** – The LOCAL owner occupied rehabilitation budget for FY 2009-10 is \$50,000.00. One application was approved in the amount of \$28,200.00 and construction is pending. These funds are generally reserved for projects located outside the Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund targeted area and are for those applicants who are moderate income, as low income applicants located outside the LMIHF area would qualify for CDBG Program Income funding.

- ◆ ***CalHome Grant Program-*** The City was awarded a State of California Housing and Community Development CalHome grant of \$600,000.00 effective October 30, 2007, for the purpose of restoring substandard owner occupied residential units. The grant will provide between 13-15 owner occupied rehabilitation loans and will expire on August 28, 2010. These loans are for low income eligible applicants at 3% interest with deferred payments for 30 years. This program will be administered by City staff. Ten percent of the total grant will be used for activity delivery. There is no allowable administration for this grant. Seven applications have been mailed since July 1, 2009. Two applications are complete and three applications are pending. In December of 2008, the State of California temporarily froze CalHOME funds as a result of the State's economy and on July 2, 2009, the grant expiration has been extended to June 28, 2011.

- ◆ ***HOME Program Income Fund*** – The City of Eureka has received and administered multiple State of California Home program grants in the form of owner occupied rehabilitation and First Time Homebuyer match loans. When these loans are repaid to the City, the funds are deposited to this revolving program income account to be reused for other program eligible purposes. The balance remains at approximately \$450,000.00 and is anticipated to be used as funding for an affordable housing project, first time homebuyer downpayment assistance program, or owner occupied rehabilitation loans. Modified Owner Occupied Rehabilitation Loan Guidelines are currently being prepared by staff for administration of rehabilitation loans. There has been no program income activity to date. The City is repaying the \$1 million loan from the State HOME program for the Multiple Assistance Center by contributing \$50,000 annually from the Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund into the HOME program Income Account. As of fiscal year 2009-2010, the State HOME Program has requested that no further repayments be made to the MAC project for operations, but will be required to be paid into the HOME Program Income revolving fund. To date, the balance is approximately \$450,000 and is eligible to be used for any HOME eligible use; first time homebuyer downpayment assistance, owner occupied rehabilitation, rental rehabilitation, special projects, etc.

- ◆ ***Community Development Block Grant Program Income (CDBG-PI) Funds*** –These funds are revolving funds which accumulate from repayment of past CDBG program income loans. The balance on March 31, 2010, is approximately \$163,000.00. In fiscal year 2009-2010, \$133,000.00 was budgeted for owner occupied rehabilitation, rental rehabilitation, or special project loans. As the balance increases, these funds are then expended for allowable program uses. These funds are also anticipated to be used to match CalHome loans which exceed the \$35,000.00 loan limit and to fund the Lead Based Paint Hazard Mitigation program for those applicants who are low income. Two CalHome applicants are anticipating using approximately \$90,000.00 in CDBG PI funds to cover extensive rehabilitation work exceeding the CalHome \$35,000.00 loan limits. Since July 1, 2009, 1 application has been mailed.

- ◆ ***Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund/ Owner Occupied Rehabilitation*** – For fiscal year 2009-2010 all funding from the Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund has been reserved for the possible State of California take of Redevelopment Agency funds. The entire budget, with the exception of \$750,000.00 budgeted for the sale of the Seventh Street Villa Condominiums to six first time homebuyers, has been reserved. Staff continues discussions with Jack Freeman to fund the Greyhound Hotel housing units (listed separately above) when funding is available. There will be a waiting list established. Six applications have been mailed since July 1, 2009.

- ◆ ***Paint Up/Fix Up Program*** – This year only \$50,000.00 originally budgeted from the LOCAL fund for Paint Up/Fix Up Program grants to cover both targeted areas and provide grants City wide. An additional \$18,000 was budgeted as the result of emergency grant funds due to the 6.5 magnitude earthquake on January 9, 2010. The program will provide up to 27 grants of up to \$2,500.00 for moderate to low income households for exterior repairs to qualified homeowners and landlords who rent to qualified income eligible tenants. As repayments of LOCAL loans have come in less regularly, the funding for the Paint Up/Fix Up Program has been lowered each year. There is currently a waiting list established for the program's next fiscal year.

- ◆ ***Dumpsters*** - The City of Eureka, in cooperation with Eureka City Garbage, provides free dumpsters to neighborhoods or homeowners upon request (based upon need). Eureka City Garbage provides 20 dumpsters in January at no cost for the City's administration. This program is augmented by the City's budget of \$5,000 for additional dumpsters, if needed. As of March 31, 2010, 11 dumpsters have been provided, and 14 dumpsters remain from the 20 free dumpsters issued on January 1, 2010 City Garbage.

- ◆ ***Graffiti Clean Up Program*** - The City of Eureka, in cooperation with Shafer's Ace Hardware is providing Graffiti Clean-up kits to those single family and multi-family residential property owners whose properties have been a target of graffiti. To be eligible, the property must be located within the city limits of Eureka. The kits are available to eligible property owners at \$5 per kit. Each kit shall consist of one quart of latex paint, a free paint color match by Shafer's staff, a two inch paint brush, clean up cloth, drop cloth, stir stick, and wet paint sign. There were 2 graffiti kits issued since July 1, 2009.

- ◆ ***Wheelchair Ramp Grant Program*** - The City Council in October 2007 approved new guidelines to increase grant funding per project from \$1,500 to up to \$2,500 for moderate income households and up to \$3,500 for low income households. This is anticipated to create more participation in the program. For budget year 2009-2010, funding was expended for the construction of 2 wheelchair ramps and 1 grant remains. Tri-County Independent Living has been assisting with \$500.00 in material costs per grant. Homes must be located in the City limits, be built to building code, and if applicant is a tenant, they must have landlord approval of construction.

- ◆ ***Senior Home Repair Program*** – In FY 2009-2010 the City appropriated \$15,000.00 from the LOCAL fund, for the Humboldt Senior Resource Center to administer the “Senior Home Repair Program”. This program provides small home repair grants to income qualified seniors, over 60 years of age, ranging from grab bars to leaky faucets and running toilets. Since July 1, 2009, \$10,127.00 in funding has been expended to assist 73 seniors.

- ◆ ***Housing Advisory Board Meetings***
 - **Regular Meeting January 11, 2010:**
 1. Approval of the October 10, 2009 regular meeting
 2. Approval of CalHome Deferred Payment Loan for Barbara Swanson
 3. Approval of CalHome Deferred Payment Loan for Adrienne Werth
 4. Educational Topic: Owner Occupied Rehabilitation Loan Term Matrix 2009
 5. Executive Secretary Report: (Informational Only)
 - a. Housing Rehabilitation Program Activity Report
 - b. Paint-up/Fix-Up Grant Program Activity
 - c. Dumpster Activity
 - d. Loan Payoff Activity Report
 - e. HAB Attendance Report

 - **Regular Meeting February 8, 2010: Rescheduled to March 8, 2010 regular meeting date.**

 - **Regular Meeting March 8, 2010:**
 1. Approval of the January 11, 2010 regular meeting
 2. Consent Calendar:
 - a. Approval of CalHome Deferred Payment Loan – Donna Patton
 - b. Approval of CalHome Deferred Payment Loan – Carol Binder
 - c. Approval of CalHome Deferred Payment Loan – Donna Wildearth
 - d. Request for CalHome Deferred Payment Loan – Scott McIntyre
 3. Executive Secretary Report: (Informational Only)
 - a. Housing Rehabilitation Program Activity Report
 - b. Paint-up/Fix-Up Grant Program Activity-Emergency Earthquake Funding Grants
 - c. Dumpster Activity
 - d. Loan Payoff Activity Report
 - e. HAB Attendance Report